



Library News

SUMMER READING IS BACK!

Summer Reading activities are back at the library! The library has fun and educational programs. Details can be found on page 3. Don't miss it!



OUR WEBSITE IS A HIT WITH OUR PATRONS!



You can rely on our website, www.whitneylibrary.org, for the latest information on activities, new books, meetings, community events, library resources, and a whole lot more! From the website, you can access your library account and reserve or renew a book, search for books using the online catalog, research topics on history, science, technology, literature, and even access the Chilton Library, the most authoritative source for automobile repair information.

NO COMPUTER? NO PRINTER? NO PROBLEM!

If you're in need of a computer or printer, come to the library and get your online tasks done. We now have a fiber-optic internet system, so you will complete your work quickly. And should you require printing, copies are \$.30 for black and white and \$1.00 for color per page.



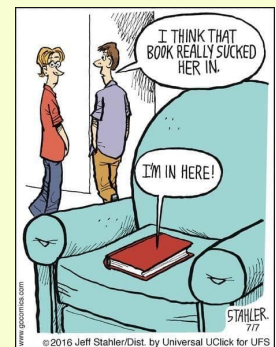
100 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

Research shows that the most reliable predictor of school success is being read to at home during early childhood. The brain develops more rapidly during the first three years of a child's life than at any other time during the lifespan. Reading to children from an early age can help close the vocabulary gap and prepare children to enter kindergarten with the skills they need to succeed. Register your child and reward him or her with a medallion upon completion.



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WORD OF THE DAY— CONUNDRUM

A *conundrum* is a problem that is difficult, confusing, or intricate. *Conundrum* can also refer to a riddle whose answer is or involves a pun.

Usage examples:

“Ideally, students in an ethics class will really wrestle with moral *conundrums*.”

“Her answer to the *conundrum* "why didn't the lost hikers starve in the desert?" was "because of the *sand* which is there.”
Source: Meriam-Webster.com

LOOK WHAT HAPPENED TEN YEARS AGO AT THE LIBRARY!

The **Lake Whitney Garden Club** has been active in our community keeping our old and current library pretty for more than 17 years! Expand your gardening knowledge by attending their informative sessions every 2nd Thursday at the library beginning at 11:00.



THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

The volunteer in our spotlight this quarter is Aimee Boswell. She has been leading yoga sessions for our community members, teaching them how to relieve stress, improve heart health and oxygen intake, boost quality of life and brain power, and improve sleep quality. We salute Aimee for her service to the library and look forward to many more yoga sessions.



LAKE WHITNEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

April 27—M&M Tours. Delana Jean will present travel information. Lunch provided by Carol Eubank.

May 25—Citizens State Bank will host Financial Literacy. Lunch provided by Connie Terry.

June 27—Homeowner, seller/buyer program by Denis Callaway. Lunch provided by Rachel Parker.

July 27—Back to School program. Donations for school supplies for Whitney Independent School District.



SUMMER READING IS BACK!

Summer Reading programs are back at the library. This year's theme is "All Together Now", and here are the programs being offered:

Programs start @ 10:00 AM

June 8: Maria Cool School: "All Together Now" Celebrate Our Differences with music, puppets, and dance.

June 15 : Hill County Ag Extension: Have fun making healthy snacks.

June 22: US Army Corps of Engineers; Fishing techniques, Water Safety, and explore the Engineers' special boat.

June 29: Dinosaur Valley State Park; enter the world of dinosaurs.

July 6: No programs; Fourth of July Week.

July 13: Prairielands Groundwater Trailer: Explore the magic of water and its effects on the environment.

July 20: Hometown Heroes; Get up-close with our community heroes and explore Fire Engine, Police Vehicles, Ambulance, and Water Cannon!



GARDEN CLUB AT THE LIBRARY

Here is what you can learn by attending the Garden Club meetings and outings:

Thursday, April 13, 8:30 AM, depart from Church of Christ parking lot: **Bluebonnet Automobile Tour**, sponsored by the Ennis Garden Club.

Thursday, May 11, 11:00: "**Propagating/Growing Houseplants using LECA Perlite Stratum Mixture**"; Betty Williams and daughter Prescha Weiss.

Thursday, June 11, 11:00, 277 Cedar Elm Dr, Whitney: "**Yard Tour/Pass Along Plants**"; Margaret Burnett's Home and Gardens.



MEDICARE EDUCATION CLASS AT THE LIBRARY



Learn what options are available to you from Medicare from representative Heather Dozier, every first Wednesday from 3-5:00 at the library.

For more information, call 512-736-9698 or email

hdozierconsulting@outlook.com

STORE DISCOUNT COUPONS

Discover how to apply store discount coupons to your store's "thank you" card without using a Smartphone. Let Wendie Thomas show you how to link a store's weekly coupon specials to its loyalty card, without the need for a fancy phone. Classes are every third Thursday of the month at 11:00. Just bring your store loyalty card with you. This method works for Brookshire's, Family Dollar, and Dollar Tree loyalty cards. For additional information, call: 254-874-5460.

FEATURED AUTHORS

APRIL — JEFFREY ARCHER

Now published in 114 countries and more than 47 languages, with more than 500,000 5* reviews, Jeffrey Archer is firmly established as one of the world's bestselling authors, with international sales passing 275 million copies.

He is the only author ever to have been a number one best-seller in fiction (nineteen times), short stories (four times) and non-fiction (*The Prison Diaries*). He primarily writes thrillers and dramas.

Jeffrey has been married for 53 years to Dame Mary Archer DBE, who was until October 2012 chairman of Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust .

Jeffreyarcher.com



MAY — COLLEEN HOOVER

Colleen Hoover is the #1 New York Times bestselling author of twenty four novels and novellas. Hoover's novels fall into the New Adult and Young Adult contemporary romance categories, as well as psychological thriller. Her novel CONFESS has been filmed as a series by Awestruck and is available on Prime Video via Amazon and iTunes. Colleen founded The Bookworm Box, a charity bookstore and book signing event, with her family in 2015. The Bookworm Box hosts a book signing (Book Bonanza) each year which features over 200 authors as well as an annual auction to raise funds for food banks and other charities across the nation. To date, The Bookworm Box has donated over \$1,000,000 to help those in need.

colleenhoover.com

JUNE - PRESTON & CHILD

Douglas Preston was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, in 1956, and grew up in the deadly boring suburb of Wellesley. Following a distinguished matriculation at a private nursery school, where he was almost immediately expelled, he attended public schools and the Cambridge School of Weston.

Lincoln Child was born in Westport, Connecticut, which he still calls his hometown (despite the fact that he left the place before he reached his first birthday and now only goes back for weekends). Lincoln seemed to have acquired an interest in writing as early as second grade, when he wrote a short story entitled *Bumble the Elephant* (now believed by scholars to be lost).

In the early 1990s Preston and Child teamed up to write suspense novels; *Relic* was the first, made into a movie by Paramount Pictures. In *Relic* they introduced one of the most celebrated fictional detectives of modern times, Special Agent A.X.L. Pendergast. *Relic* has been followed by more than a dozen other books in the Pendergast series, including *The Cabinet of Curiosities*, *Still Life with Crows*, and *Crooked River*. Their last twenty novels in a row have been New York Times best-sellers, including several reaching the #1 position. *Relic* and *The Cabinet of Curiosities* were selected by in a poll by National Public Radio as being among the 100 greatest thrillers ever written.



prestonchild.com

DID YOU KNOW?

The Texas flag is called the “Lone Star Flag” and has three colors: red to represent courage, white to represent liberty, and blue to represent loyalty. It was adopted in 1845 when Texas became a state. The large white star was first used on Texas flags in the 1830s during the battles between Texas and Mexico.

www.factretriever.com



THE LAUGH OUT LOUD SECTION



"What do you call a fish wearing a bowtie?" "Sofishticated".

"Dad, did you get a haircut?" "No, I got them all cut!"

"What time did the man go to the dentist? Tooth hurt-y."

"Do you want a box for your leftovers?" "No, but I'll wrestle you for them."

"I once got fired from a canned juice company. Apparently I couldn't concentrate."

"Where do you learn to make a banana split?" "Sundae school."

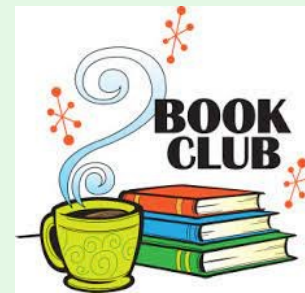
"How do you get a squirrel to like you? Act like a nut."

countryliving.com

BOOK CLUB

Here's what the Book Club is reading this quarter. You are invited to join in the lively discussions the 4th Tuesday of each month at 1:30 PM.

April 25—*Women in White Coats* by Olivia Campbell tells the story of three women, motivated by personal loss and frustration over inadequate medical care. Elizabeth Blackwell, Elizabeth Garrett Anderson and Sophia Jex-Blake fought for a woman's place in the male-dominated medical field. For the first time ever, *Women in White Coats* tells the complete history of these three pioneering women who, despite countless obstacles, earned medical degrees and paved the way for other women to do the same. Though very different in personality and circumstance, together these women built women-run hospitals and teaching colleges—creating for the first time medical care for women by women.



May 23—*Titanic and the City of Widows It Left Behind* by Julie Cook focuses on the widows and children of the crew who perished on board. Author Julie Cook's great-grandfather was a stoker who died on Titanic. Her great-grandmother had to raise five children with no breadwinner. This book focuses on Emily and the widows like her who had to fight for survival through great hardship, whilst still grieving for the men they loved who'd died on the ship. Using original archive sources and with accounts from descendants of crew who also lost their lives, the book asks how these women survived through abject poverty and grief – and why their voices have been silent for so long.

June 27—*Evangeline* by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, describes the betrothal of a fictional Acadian girl named Evangeline Bellefontaine to her beloved, Gabriel Lajeunesse, and their separation as the British deport the Acadians from Acadie in the Great Upheaval.

The *Song of Hiawatha* is an 1855 epic poem in trochaic tetrameter by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow which features Native American characters. The epic relates the fictional adventures of an Ojibwe warrior named Hiawatha and the tragedy of his love for Minnehaha, a Dakota woman.

LIBRARY CALENDAR—SPONSORED ITEMS IN RED

April 2023 - National Financial Literacy Month

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 April Fool's Day
2 Reconciliation Day	3 Chocolate Mousse Day	4 School Librarian Day	5 Kids vaccination info 12:30; Medicare 3:00	6 VFW 6:00	7 Coffee Cake Day	8 Zoo Lovers Day
9 Easter	10 Siblings Day	11 Barber Shop Quartet Day	12 Grilled Cheese Sandwich Day	13 Peach Cobbler Day	14 Look Up at the Sky Day	15 Amateur Radio Club 10:00
16 Eggs Benedict Day	17 Crawfish Day	18 Lion's Club 11:30	19 Garlic Day	20 High Five Day	21 Clean out your Medicine Cabinet	22 Girl Scout Leader's Day
23 Cherry Cheesecake Day	24 Bucket List Day	25 Book Club 1:30	26 Library Outreach Day	27 Teach Children to Save Day	28 Blueberry Pie Day	29 Veterinary Day
30 Adopt a Shelter Pet Day						

May 2023 - Better Speech and Language Month

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 May Day	2 Fitness Day	3 Medicare 3:00	4 VFW 6:00	5 Cinco de Mayo	6 Kentucky Derby
7 National Pet Week	8 Coconut Cream Pie Day	9 Sleepover Day	10 Clean Your Room Day	11 Garden Club 11:00	12 Nurse's Day	13 Children of Fallen Patriots Day
14 Buttermilk Biscuit Day	15 Bring Flowers to Someone Day	16 Lion's Club 11:30	17 Pack Rat Day	18 Int'l Museum Day	19 Frog Jumping Jubilee Day	20 Amateur Radio Club 10:00
21 Rural Life Sunday	22 Solitaire Day	23 Book Club 1:30	24 Scavenger Hunt Day	25 Wine Day	26 Sally Ride Day	27 Amateur Radio Military Appr. Day
28 Amnesty International Day	29 Decoration Day	30 Mint Julep Day	31 Smile Day			

June 2023 - National Camping Month

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 VFW 6:00	2 Donut Day	3 Love Conquers All Day
4 Cancer Survivor's Day	5 Constitution Day	6 D-Day	7 Medicare 3:00	8 Best Friends Day	9 Strawberry-Rhubarb Pie Day	10 Abolition Day
11 Children's Day	12 Democracy Day	13 Weed Your Garden Day	14 Flag Day	15 Nature Photography Day	16 Int'l Waterfall Day	17 Amateur Radio Club 10:00
18 Father's Day	19 Juneteenth	20 Lion's Club 11:30	21 Indigenous People Day	22 Chocolate Éclair Day	23 Let It Go Day	24 Midsummer Day
25 Catfish Day	26 Beautician's Day	27 Book Club 1:30	28 Tapioca Day	29 Int'l Mud Day	30 Food Truck Day	