

# Friends Newsletter

## GRAVES COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY



### **FRIENDS SPRING BOOK SALE**

BY JAN SCHORR, FRIENDS PRESIDENT

Books, books, and more! Yes, it's time for our spring book sale. Our spring sale will begin on Friday, April 19th through Saturday, April 20th.

Friday hours are 9 AM to 7 PM and Saturday from 9 AM to 3 PM for the Public. As a Friend you can shop on Preview night, Thursday from 5 to 7 PM. This early shopping event is one of your perks for joining the GCPL Friends group. Your membership dues help sponsor the Summer Reading Program and more.

Book donations will be accepted until April 13th so our awesome volunteers can organize and prepare for the sale. We thank those that work throughout the year sorting these donations. We also appreciate our Friends who volunteer during the sale. Your continued support makes it possible for Graves County to enjoy our wonderful library. I am honored to serve as President of our GCPL Friends group.

Please be reminded that our newsletter is emailed each spring. If you know of any GCPL Friends that do not have an email account, encourage them to pick up a paper copy at the circulation desk.

Happy Spring!

<i>Price List</i>	
BOOK SALE	
Hardback	\$2
Library Hard Back Discard	\$1
Paperback	50¢
Bag of Harlequin Romances	\$1
Audio Book	\$1
Young Children's Book	25¢
Puzzle	50¢
DVD	\$1
Boxed Sets	\$5

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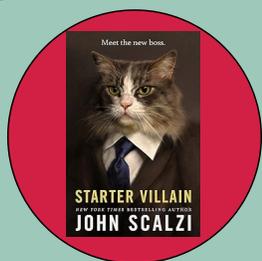
### STARTER VILLIAN BY JOHN SCALZI

Charlie's life is going nowhere fast. A divorced substitute teacher living with his cat in a house his siblings want to sell, all he wants is to open a pub downtown, if only the bank will approve his loan.

Then his long-lost uncle Jake dies and leaves his supervillain business (complete with island volcano lair) to Charlie.

It's up to Charlie to win the war his uncle started against a league of supervillains. But with unionized dolphins, hyper-intelligent talking spy cats, and a terrifying henchperson at his side, going bad is starting to look pretty good.

In a dog-eat-dog world...be a cat.

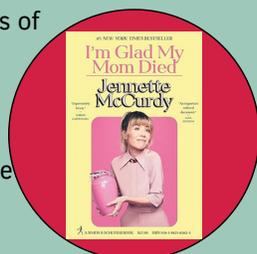


### I'M GLAD MY MOM DIED BY JENNETTE MCCURDY

A heartbreaking and hilarious memoir by iCarly and Sam & Cat star Jennette McCurdy about her struggles as a former child actor—including eating disorders, addiction, and a complicated relationship with her overbearing mother—and how she retook control of her life.

Jennette McCurdy was six years old when she had her first acting audition. Her mother's dream was for her only daughter to become a star, and Jennette would do anything to make her mother happy.

The issues only get worse when her mother dies of cancer. Finally, after discovering therapy and quitting acting, Jennette embarks on recovery and decides for the first time in her life what she really wants.



### COUNTING THE COST BY JILL DUGGAR

Jill and Derick knew a normal life wasn't possible for them. As a star on the popular TLC reality show 19 Kids and Counting, Jill grew up in front of viewers who were fascinated by her family's way of life. She didn't protest the strict model of patriarchy that her family followed, which declares that men are superior, that women are expected to be wives and mothers, and that parental authority over their children continues well into adulthood.

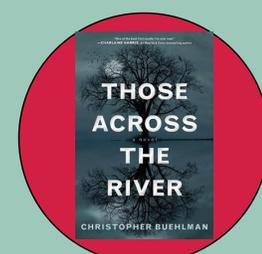
For as long as they could, Jill and Derick tried to be obedient family members—they weren't willing to rock the boat. But now they're raising a family of their own, and they're done with the secrets.



### THOSE ACROSS THE RIVER BY CHRISTOPHER BUEHLMAN

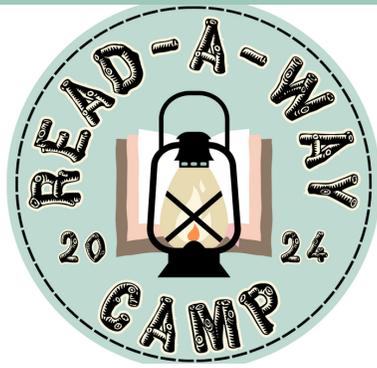
Haunted by memories of the Great War, failed academic Frank Nichols and his wife have arrived in the sleepy Georgia town of Whitbrow, where Frank hopes to write a history of his family's old estate—the Savoyard Plantation—and the horrors that occurred there.

An unspoken dread lurks there that the townsfolk have lived with for generations. A presence that demands sacrifice. It comes from the shadowy woods across the river, where the ruins of the Savoyard Plantation still stand. Where a long-smoldering debt of blood has never been forgotten. Where it has been waiting for Frank Nichols....



# CHILDREN'S SUMMER READING PROGRAM : READ-A-WAY CAMP!

BY NIKKI BROWN



This year's summer reading theme is "Camp Read-A-Lot," a camping theme for patrons of all ages. Free children's events will be held on Tuesdays in the month of June at 2:00pm at the Graves County Public Library. These events will include folk stories, camping safety, bug catching, and crafts. "Camp Read-A-Lot" will kick off with an educational program to teach children the difference between safe and dangerous plants.

Children can earn prizes for reading throughout the month of June. These prizes include a compass, a pair of binoculars, a flashlight, and other fun things that one might take camping.

There will also be a drawing for large prizes at the end of summer reading. These will include camping themed items and camping essentials such as sleeping bags and tents. We are using an app called ReaderZone to record what the kids read and how many books they read. This app is being used for teen and adult summer reading as well.

The purpose of a summer reading program is to promote literacy skills, provide continued access to books and learning tools, and encourage reading as an enjoyable activity. Children who do not read during the summer can lose up to two months of learning by the time they return to school. Those who continue to read at least six books while school is out perform better in reading and math when they return in the fall.

We thank the Friends of the Library for sponsoring these events. We invite you and your family to visit the library this summer and take part in "Camp Read-A-Lot!"

Ongoing  
Monthly Programs

[gravescountypubliclibrary.org](http://gravescountypubliclibrary.org)

## FOR KIDS

Story Hour

Thursdays, 10:00 am  
Kids Grab N Go Crafts

1st of the Month

Tween Reading Club

Check Library Website for Dates

## FOR ADULTS

Night Book Club

1st Monday @ 6:00 pm

Lunch Book Club

4th Monday @ 12pm

Adult Paint Party

Check Library Website for Dates

Adult & Teen Craft Night

Check Library Website for Dates

Cross Stitch Club

Check Library Website for Dates

Family Bingo Night

Check Library Website for Dates

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Solar Eclipse Information with

Dr. Victor Taveras

April 4th @ 5:00 PM

Free eclipse glasses

Adult Prom Party: Night in Old

Hollywood

May 11th

6-9 PM

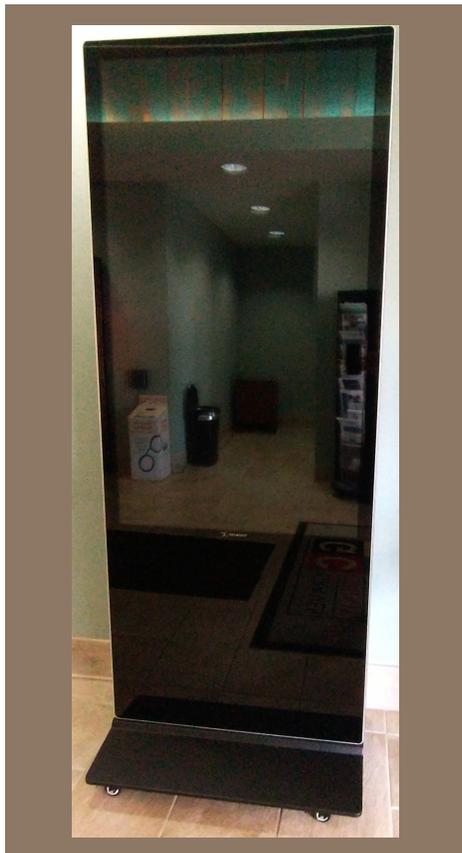
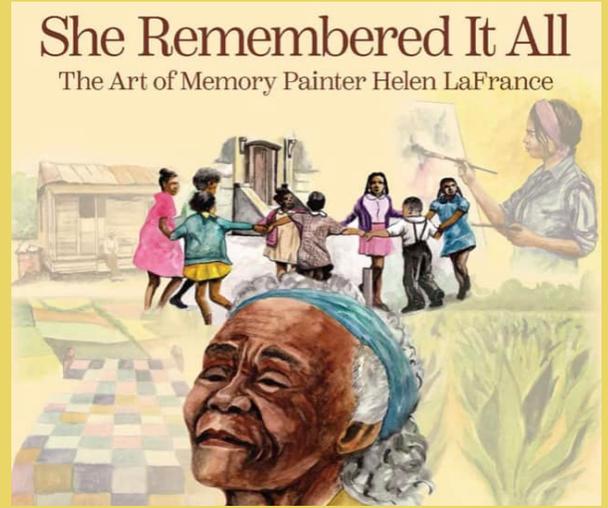
# IMPRESSIVE PROGRAMS AT THE LIBRARY

BY DEANA GSCHWIND

The library had a wonderful program in March presented with the Jackson Purchase Historical Society and local author Jayne Moore Waldrop. Her newest book, *She Remembered It All*, about local artist Helen LaFrance was presented to the public with illustrator Michael McBride. Local children told their thoughts on the book, there was a slideshow presentation, and the author had books for signing. Some of Helen's art was on display.

We had a formal Winter Ball in January with live music, finger foods, a hot chocolate bar, and a photo booth. People dressed up in their best clothes, and had a great time. The Graves County Homemakers helped provide food for the event.

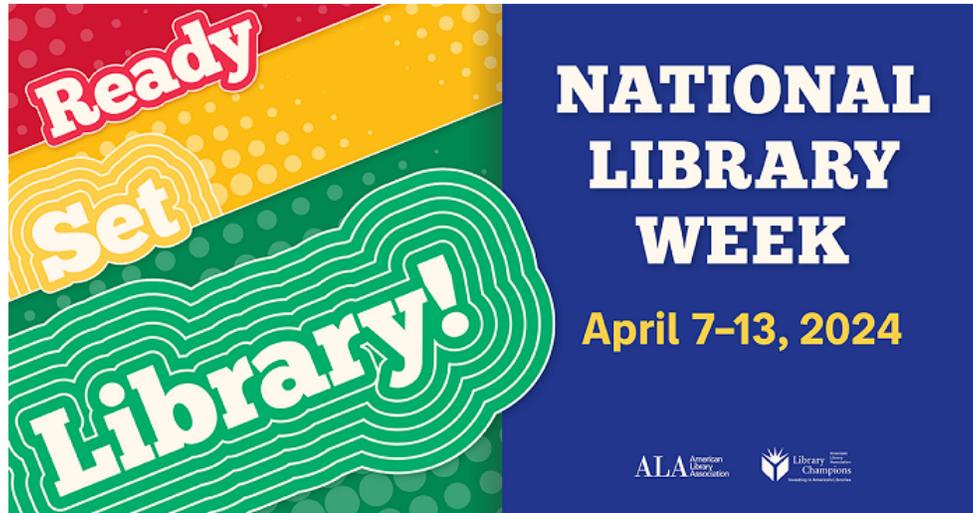
Back in October, we had our annual Haunted Harvest event in collaboration with the county wide Haunted Graves. Fun was had by all that attended. There were games, food, a photo booth, s'mores bar, and a Halloween costume contest.



## FRIENDS DONATION TO LIBRARY: DIGITAL KIOSK

Due to the generosity of our Friends group, the library now has a digital kiosk located in our lobby to direct patrons to their programs or meetings. It displays the library meeting rooms along with the corresponding event names and timings scheduled for library programs and other organizations.

# CELEBRATE NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK!



In honor of National Library Week, we'll be celebrating with a "Guess the Number of Candies in the Jar" game, offering amnesty for overdue items, and launching a Library Hidden Tickets contest with prizes up for grabs when you check out a book with a ticket inside. There will be prize drawings for teens and adults that week. You must visit the library to sign up.

## What's New at the Library

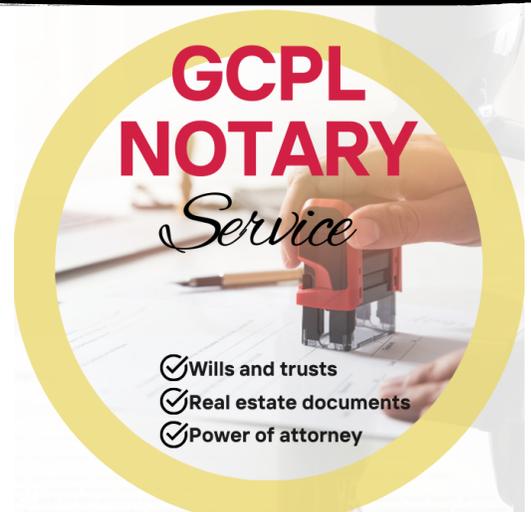
### YMCA Little Free Library

Last year we purchased a Little Free Library for our local Mayfield Graves County YMCA. It was placed by the front entrance, and the library keeps it stocked.



## Did You Know...

The library offers complimentary notary services to the community for various documents such as real estate papers, wills, trusts, power of attorney, and more. A valid Driver's License or alternative photo identification is required. Documents must be signed in the presence of the notary. Please contact us to arrange an appointment.



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## **UPCOMING BOOK RELEASES**

### **April**

- A Calamity of Souls by David Baldacci
- Close to Death by Anthony Horowitz
- Extinction by Douglas Preston
- It Had to Be You by Mary Higgins Clark
- The Murder Inn by James Patterson and Candice Fox
- The Museum of Lost Quilts by Jennifer Chiaverini
- Only the Brave by Danielle Steel
- She's Not Sorry by Mary Kubica
- The Summer We Started Over by Nancy Thayer
- Toxic Prey by John Sandford
- City in Ruins by Don Winslow

### **May**

- Camino Ghosts by John Grisham
- Mind Games by Nora Roberts
- Think Twice by Harlan Coben
- You Like It Darker by Stephen King
- The 24th Hour by James Patterson
- One Perfect Couple by Ruth Ware
- Summers at the Saint by Mary Kay Andrews
- Circle in the Water by Marcia Muller
- Unforgiven by Shelly Shepard Gray
- Evergreen Christmas by Janet Dailey
- The Instruments of Darkness by John Connolly
- Southern Man by Greg Iles

### **June**

- The Summer Escape by Jill Shalvis
- Proof by Fern Michaels
- Don't Let the Devil Ride by Ace Atkins
- Market for Murder by Heather Graham
- Clete: A Dave Robicheaux Novel by James Lee Burke
- For the Love of Summer by Susan Mallery
- The King's Ransom by Janet Evanovich
- Red Star Falling by Steve Berry
- Eruption: The Big One Is Coming by Michael Crichton and James Patterson
- Swan Song by Elin Hilderbrand

### **July**

- Calder Country by Janet Dailey
- Shadow of a Doubt by Brad Thor
- Robert Ludlum's the Bourne Shadow by Brian Freeman
- The Burning by Linda Castillo
- A Choice Considered by Tracie Peterson
- Flashpoint: An FBI Thriller by Catherine Coulter
- The Summer Pact by Emily Giffin
- Primal Mirror by Nalini Singh
- Dog Day Afternoon: An Andy Carpenter Mystery by David Rosenfelt
- Hard to Kill: A Jane Smith Thriller by James Patterson and Mike Lupica