

Director's Note:

Hello Summer! Last month was so crazy that I didn't even have time to include a Director's Note in the newsletter, but I have so much to share with you!

First, my family has been living in the crazy whirlwind of our very own SC robotics team, Team SCREAM, winning the World Championships in Houston at the end of April. My youngest son, Jackson, drives the robot for the team and to say we are proud is an understatement! There were around 600 teams competing from all over the world-what an incredible accomplishment! I could go on and on about this program, but I just wanted to share my proud Mom moment with you. It's been an amazing season. We have some great kids, teachers, mentors, parents, administrators, and sponsors that make up this incredible team.

The library has been a whirlwind too! We finished up inventory for the entire building, finalized our Summer Reading Program, and celebrated our very first Excel High School graduate! This is on top of our normal library operations. :)

Some days have been challenging, but I have so many reminders lately of why our work matters. Here's a few:

1. Our high school graduation program is making a difference in the life of our community members. Shout out to the Rotary Club & Sedalia Area Literacy Council for sponsoring four more scholarships! Education is powerful!
2. We had a group of English learner students visit the library recently and only one of them had ever been to the library before. They all left with a library card and books in their hands.
3. Another visiting student pulled me aside after their field trip was over and admitted she had a couple of library books that are long overdue. She said her family couldn't pay the overdue fines, so she never came back to the library. I explained the good news that we no longer charge fines and she can bring the books back with no penalty and start using the library again. She was so excited that she could come back to the library!

These are the kinds of things that happen at the library often and remind us what an asset the library is to our community. There is no better place to be!

I have a few good books I read this month to share with you!

First Lie Wins, by Ashley Elston (suspense)

The Frozen River, by Ariel Lawhon (historical fiction)

The Many Lives of Mama Love, by Lara Love Hardin (memoir)

I hope you will come see us this month. Our Summer Reading program is going to be full of Adventures!

Happy Reading,

Jamie Sparks, Director



First Robotics Champions 2024
Smith Cotton's Team Scream



4th grade English Language Learners from
Horace Mann Elementary visited the library on
May 10.

NEW STAFF-Meet Kaylee!

We are so excited to welcome Kaylee Daniel to our amazing library staff. Kaylee will replace Sarah Harper, our Adult Services and Outreach Librarian, as Sarah's family is moving this summer. We will greatly miss Sarah and the passion she has for libraries, but she is leaving her position in good hands! Stop by and see Kaylee, as she will be training alongside Sarah throughout June.

Contact Kaylee: kdaniel@sedalialibrary.com



**GEAR UP FOR
ADVENTURE
WITH**

**The All Ages
Summer Reading
Program**
June 3 - July 26



KICK-OFF
June 3rd from 3 pm-6 pm
Join us on the front lawn to start
our Summer Adventure!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
Special Programs: Wednesdays
Storytime: Thursdays at 10 am
More Events and Details to Come!

**Look for us at the First Thursday event in Downtown
Sedalia on June 6.**

New Books for June

Click [here](#) for a list of new Books & Movies for Adults & [here](#) for new books in Children's Department.

**Summer Reading events are Wednesday's at 10am,
starting June 5th.
Preschool Storytime is Thursday's at 10am, starting June
6th.**

**Ask about our new Learning Kits available for
Check-out in Children's Department!**

Upcoming Adult Library Programs

**June Adult Book Club: The Anthropocene Reviewed, by John
Green.**

No need to sign up and no obligation to attend more than once.
Copies of all books for book club are available at the front desk.

**June 10 (5:30pm) or
June 11 (2pm)**

You are welcome either day! Stop by the front desk to pick up your copy for our
monthly meeting! Queen City Room.

Create and Connect in June is for ALL AGES!

Geocaching

Come learn about this adventurous activity that anyone can enjoy! Bring your friends or your family members. We'll even make a small craft that you can bring on your own geocaching adventures! During the year this is an adult only event, but for the summer, we are inviting ALL AGES! Everyone is invited!

This is Free and all materials are provided!



4th Monday, 5:30-6:30pm

June 24th

Queen City Room

Chess Club-3rd Saturday

June 15th

10am to noon

Join our growing community of Chess Players! All Skill Levels welcome!
Queen City Room.

Adult Services Contact: Sarah Harper



Services Spotlight-Excel Adult High School

We celebrated our first High School graduate on May 6!

Read about it [HERE](#).

Find out more about the program [HERE](#).

Interested in donating a Scholarship? Contact sharper@sedalialibrary.com



Sign your child up to receive FREE books with Dolly Parton's Imagination Library! High quality, age appropriate books are delivered to your home for free each month. Sign up [HERE](#).

Do you need a Meeting Room for your group? Find the application [HERE](#).



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Monday 9-7pm
Tuesday thru Thursday 9-6pm
Friday 9-5pm
Saturday 9-1pm
Sunday 1-5pm

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