

What's happening at your public library?



LIBRARY NEWS - MARCH 2016

Welcome to the premiere issue of the NEW DHCLS monthly newsletter. Our goal is to keep you connected to important happenings at the Dothan Houston County Library System.

Now accepting donations!

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

Bring your gently used books into the library. We'll take them and either add them to our collection, sell them in our Friends of the Library book sale, or send them out into the world in support of literacy causes through [Better World Books](#).

See our Donations Guidelines [HERE](#).



Be a Summer Reading Sponsor & Help Stop 'Summer Slide'

DHCLS is happy to announce that Dothan Mayor, Mike Schmitz, and Houston County Commission Chair, Mark Culver, are our **2016 Summer Learning Challenge Honorary Co-Chairs**. Local businesses and individuals can lend their support this summer with a monetary or prize donation to aid the 8 weeks of programs and activities that keep our youth learning all year round so they don't fall behind when school starts again in

Learn more [HERE](#).

Support your library by shopping with AmazonSmile

Did you know that every time you make a purchase at Amazon.com, you can designate a portion of the sale to go to support the library? Just be sure to use the special Amazon Smile portal when shopping with Amazon and select DHCLS or the Friends of DHCLS as your charity.

Learn more [HERE](#).



Have you tried an eBook or eAudiobook yet?

We know print books are still your favorite, but sometimes you just don't have a good one handy. Check out our collection of free downloadable eBooks and eAudiobooks for your computer, smartphone, or tablet. If you have any questions feel free to let one of our helpful staff assist you in accessing your selections next time you drop by the library.

Click [HERE](#) to go right to our titles.

Click [HERE](#) for a Getting Started Guide.

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER! A "Libraries Transform" Story

The Library has partnered with the Wells Fargo Foundation to provide financial planning seminars. A recent attendee told us how the program had a significant impact on her family. After attending, she called her mother, who lives alone, and asked if she was receiving a Social Security survivor benefit from her deceased husband. The mother responded that she did not think so, and was not even aware of such a thing. The info learned at the library seminar determined that her mother was eligible for an extra \$600 per month of Social Security benefits. Knowledge IS indeed Power!

The image shows the "LIBRARIES TRANSFORM" logo. The words "LIBRARIES" and "TRANSFORM" are in a bold, green, sans-serif font. The letter "O" in "TRANSFORM" is replaced by a white circle with a green outline.

NOW HIRING

Do you think you have what it takes to work in a public library?

We are looking to augment our helpful staff. Can you multitask? Do you have a helpful personality? How about a positive attitude in working with the public? Do you love talking about books with others? You might be just who we're looking for?

Click [HERE](#) to fill out an application.

How are we doing?

DHCLS is committed to improving the library and your patron experience. To that end, we have launched a continuous structured feedback survey that will always be available on our website 365 days a year. Tell us what we're doing right or wrong in your opinion. We want to hear from you.

Take our survey [HERE](#).



Join the Friends of the Library

Do you love your local library? Do you believe in the significant value that public libraries add to their communities? Add your support by joining or making a contribution to the Friends of DHCLS, a local community organization devoted to the continued improvement of our local libraries.

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