

August 2012

Mercer *public library news*



The Making of Smokey Bear told on Sept. 11th

Smokey Bear has been a symbol of popular culture for almost 70 years, reminding everyone that “Only you can prevent wildfires.” But did you know that Smokey took his first steps here in Mercer?

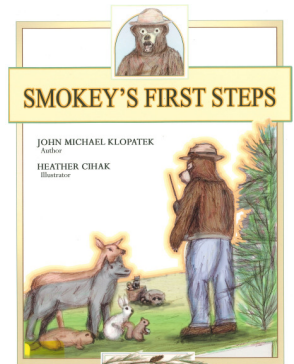
Mercer School students John Michael Klopatek and Heather Cihak have written and illustrated a new book, *Smokey's First Steps*, sharing the story of the making of the first Smokey Bear suit.

Join us at the library on Tuesday, September 11th at 7:00pm for a

book reading with the author and illustrator.

This event is free and open to the public, and copies of the book will be available for sale. For

more information, call the library at (715)476-2366.

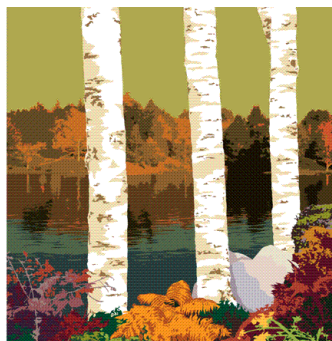


Friends' of the Library Fall Celebration on Sept. 29th

The Friends of the Mercer Public Library will hold their annual Fall Celebration on Saturday, September 29th from 5 to 7:30 p.m. in the Mercer Library and Community Center.

This popular event features wine, appetizers, silent auctions, a live auction with auctioneer Danny O'Sullivan, and the famous “Book Basket” raffles. Live music will be provided by Steve Swalve.

Tickets for the event are \$12 per person in advance, and \$15 at the door. Your ticket includes one glass of wine and

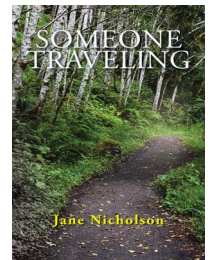


appetizers. Additional wine will be \$2 per glass. Tickets are available now at the Mercer Library.

Donations are also being accepted for the silent and live auctions at the event. If you have an item you'd like to donate, please call the library at (715)476-2366.

Someone Traveling

Author Jane Nicholson wrote this collection of essays chronicling her life in the aftermath of a heart-wrenching murder. She traveled both literally in search of local color and figuratively through the hidden harbors of grief.



Hear more of her story on Tuesday, September 25 at 7pm. Copies of the book will be available for sale. The program is free and open to the public, and light refreshments will be served.

Mark Your Calendar

October 2012



Join us on Saturday, October 6th from 12-2pm for a celebration of all things Star Wars! The **Star Wars Reads Day** event will include games, trivia, and prizes and giveaways. This program is free and open to all ages.

Poet Laureate Bruce Dethlefsen will visit the Mercer Library on Tuesday, October 16th for a free poetry workshop, reading and open mic.



Stay tuned for more details on both these events!

September 2012

new library materials

Call us at (715)476-2366 or visit <http://mercer.wislib.org> to get on the hold list for any library materials.

New Fiction

A Casual Vacancy by J.K. Rowling
Tiger's Claw by Dale Brown
Zoo by James Patterson
Confessions of a Murder Suspect by James Patterson
NW by Zadie Smith
Winter of the World by Ken Follett
Wanted Man by Lee Child
Door in the River by Inger Ash Wolfe
Low Pressure by Sandra Brown
The Yellow Birds by Kevin Powers
Seconds Away by Harlan Coben

New NonFiction

No Easy Day: the firsthand account of the mission that killed Osama Bin Laden by Mark Owen
Blue Book of Gun Values by S.P. Fjestad

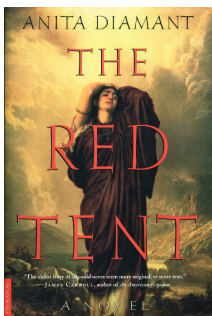
Visiting Tom: a man, a highway, and the road to roughneck grace by Michael Perry
Code Talker: the first and only memoir by one of the original Navajo code talkers of WWII by Chester Nez with Judith Schiess Avila
Home Herbal: Cook, brew & blend your own herbs by DK Publishing
Winter King: the dawn of Tudor England by Thomas Penn

New DVDs

Sherlock, seasons 1 & 2
Snow White and the Huntsman
Jaws—newly restored Bluray and DVD
The Hunger Games
The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel
Battleship
Bernie

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book club



The Red Tent
by Anita Diamant

Based on the Biblical story of Dinah, daughter of Jacob and sister of Joseph, *The Red Tent* celebrates mothers and daughters and the resiliency of women. The Mercer Book Club will discuss *The Red Tent* on Friday, October 5th at 1pm. New members are always welcome!

Calendar of Events

September 2012

Mon., Sept 10 : **Town Appreciation Day**—stop by the library to enjoy cake and coffee.

Tues., Sept. 11 at 7pm: **Smokey's First Steps** book reading with author John Klopatek and illustrator Heather Cihak.

Fri., Sept 14 : **Mercer Book Club** reads *My Antonia* by Willa Cather. New members always welcome!

Sun., Sept 16: **Street Dedication Party**—The library will provide a FREE bounce house and face painting for the kids from 3 to 5pm.

Wed., Sept. 19: Library catalog will be down for maintenance, but the library will remain open.

Tues., Sept. 25 at 7pm: **Someone Traveling** book reading with author Jane Nicholson.

Sat., Sept. 29 at 5-7:30pm: Annual **Friends of the Library Fall Celebration** featuring wine, appetizers, raffles, live and silent auctions, and live music by Steve Swalve. Tickets are \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door.

Friends of the Library: 2nd Tuesday of each month at 10am. Get to know your fellow Friends and support the library! New members always welcome.

Knitters' Group: 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 1pm. New members always welcome!

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Library Hours:

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9am to 5pm;
Tuesday & Thursday 9am to 6pm
Saturday 9am to 12noon; Closed Sunday.

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