

BookBytes

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Friends Book Sale Will Be Held May 3rd Through May 15th

Each year the Friends of the Library sponsor a Used Book Sale to raise funds for programs and projects that support the library. Prices are truly affordable with paperbacks selling 10 for \$1.00, and hardbacks 4 for \$1.00. Specially priced items sell for \$1.00 and up, with sets of books individually priced also.

Here's the schedule for the May sale:

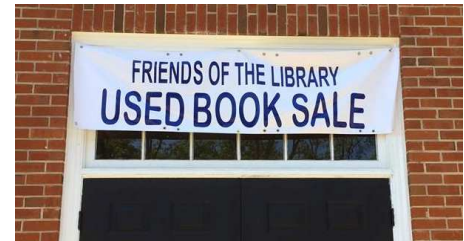
Saturday, May 2nd, 2:00 p.m.

Sorting and Pricing

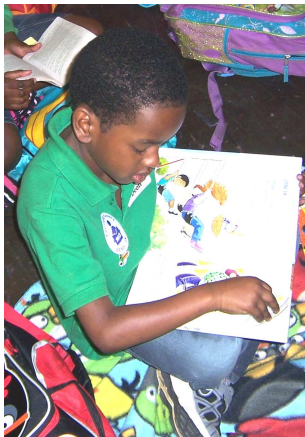
Sunday, May 3rd, 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Special Preview Sale for Friends members (memberships available at the door)

Monday, May 4th-Saturday, May 15th: Sale open during regular library hours



Volunteers will be needed to unpack and sort books on May 2nd and to staff the cash box during the days of the sale. Anyone willing to help should call Elizabeth Martin at 635-9602 or Sarah McMaster at 589-8073.



Read-In Scheduled for April 24th

Enthusiastic readers from Fairfield County Schools will gather at 10:00 a.m. at the Old Armory in Fortune Springs Park on Friday, April 24th, for the eighteenth annual Read-In sponsored by the Fairfield County Library, the Friends of the Library, the Fairfield County School District, and the Town of Winnsboro. The students will participate in the Parade of Readers, and then will spend time reading before lunch. Entertainment will be a Magical Celebration of Learning and Achievement, by Steve Somers. You're invited! Come for the parade at 10:00 a.m., visit with the students, and join the fun! For more information, contact Chrishonda Gaither at the library.

DIRECTOR'S DESK

SARAH MCMASTER

What's in a name?

Last quarter we celebrated 15 years of **Bookbytes** newsletters with an overview of some events from the past. Reading that article again led me to remember why I picked the name **Bookbytes** for the masthead.

In the January-March, 2000 issue I wrote: "The name seeks to blend the traditional and the cutting edge in library services. Books, of course, are what libraries have been about for thousands of years. Bytes, a technical term for small units of information used by computers, represent the library's new world of computer terminals and online resources."

Looking back, I'm amazed at how well the name has

stood the test of time. Some folks may argue that the "bytes" are winning as increasingly content is produced and read digitally on many types of devices. The traditional publishing industry is still alive and well, however, and many people (even young digital natives) still prefer to read in the hard or softcover format.

Your library is still seeking to blend the traditional with the cutting edge. We will continue to have the newest publications in book format, but today we also offer many of them to you digitally as well. The challenge for us is to find the right balance of traditional and digital, especially when budget allocation decisions must be made. Let us know how we're doing!

As always you can reach me by email at sarah@fairfield.lib.sc.us or by phone at 803-589-8073.

Just for Kids

- Come to **Family Nights** on April 2nd and May 7th at 7:00 p.m.
- Join us at the Main Library for a **Spring Story Hour Series** on Tuesday afternoons: April 7, 14, 21, and 28 at 4:00 p.m.
- **Spring Story Hours** will be held at the Ridgeway Branch on Thursdays at 4:00 p.m. on April 9, 16, 23, and 30.



- **Every Hero Has A Story** is the theme for Summer Reading 2015. **Mark your calendar for the Summer Reading Kick-Off Party on Saturday, June 6th, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Main Library.** Sign up for Summer Reading, have a hot dog, and participate in other fun activities.

Complete brochures for Summer Reading programs at the Main Library and the Ridgeway Branch will be available by May 1st

SC BOOK FESTIVAL

The annual South Carolina Book Festival will be held May 15-17, 2015, at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center. Sponsored by the Humanities Council ^{SC}, the event will bring together authors, scores of booksellers and vendors, and thousands of avid readers.

A complete schedule of events will be posted on the following website:

www.scbookfestival.org

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From the Friends...

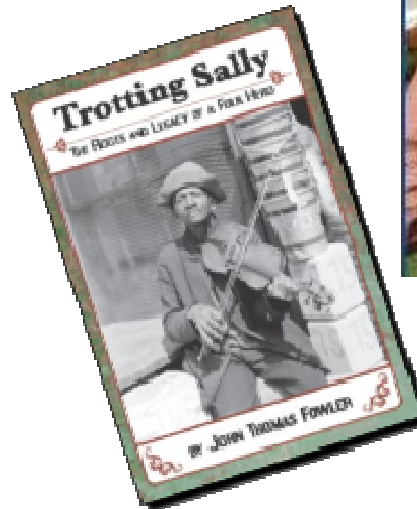
Storyteller and musician John Fowler will be the guest speaker for the Spring Meeting of the Friends of the Library to be held April 12th at 4:00 p.m. at the Main Library.

The membership year for the Friends runs from May to May. Membership is open to anyone in the community. Dues are \$5.00 for individuals, \$10.00 for a family, \$25.00 contributing, and \$100.00 life. Use the form below to join.

Through storytelling and song, John will share the interesting life-story of one of South Carolina's famous and elusive turn-of-the-century African Americans, Trotting Sally aka George Mullins. Fowler tells two tales: the story of Trotting Sally, an infamous street musician; and the real man few knew—George Mullins, who was born into slavery and built a new life as a free man, brick by brick. The presentation is based on Fowler's book *Trotting Sally: the Roots and Legacy of a Folk Hero*. Fowler uses rare visual imagery, storytelling and 19th century music during his presentation.

John's program is made possible through a grant from the Humanities Council SC Speaker's Bureau project.

A short business meeting will precede the program and refreshments will follow.



**Friends Spring Program
Sunday, April 12th
4:00 p.m.
At the Main Library**

Join Now...

Dues:	Individual	\$5.00	Family	\$10.00
(Circle One)	Contributing	\$25.00	Life	\$100.00

NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

Please complete and return with your dues to: Friends of the Library,
c/o Fairfield County Library, 300 W. Washington Street, Winnsboro, South Carolina 29180

FAIRFIELD COUNTY LIBRARY

Main Library

300 Washington Street
Winnsboro, South Carolina 29180
Phone: 803 635-4971
Fax: 803 635-7715
Hours: M,Tu,W,F 9-6 Th 9-9 Sat 9-1

Ridgeway Branch Library

P.O. Box 160 ~ 175 Palmer Street
Ridgeway, South Carolina 29130
Phone/Fax: 803 337-2068
Hours: M-Th 2-6

Bookmobile

Phone Main Library at 803 635-4971

Dial-A-Story 803 635-2020

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Library Events ~~~ April-June, 2015

Main Library

April 2 at 7:00 pm Family Night
April 9, 16 23, 30 at 4:00 pm
Spring Story Hour
April 12 at 4:00 pm Friends Spring Meeting
April 21 at 10:00 am Museum Morning
April 24 at 10:00 am Read-In at the Armory
May 1 at 7:00 pm Family Night
May 4-16 Friends Book Sale (during library hours)
May 4-10 at 4:00 pm Children's Book Week
Guest Readers
May 19 at 10:00 am Museum Morning
June 7 from 10 am to 1 pm
Summer Reading Kick-off Party
June 9-July 9 Summer Reading Activities

Ridgeway Branch Library

April 9, 16, 23, 30 at 4:00 pm Story Hour
May 7 at 4:00 pm Story Hour
June 11-July 9 Thursdays at 4:00 pm
Summer Reading Activities

National Library Week: April 12-18

The Library Will Be Closed:
Friday, April 3rd and
Saturday, April 4th
for Easter
and
Monday, May 25th
for Memorial Day