

BookBytes



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More Authors to be Available in Jasmine Digital Library

Penguin Group publishers has finally agreed to release many of its ebook titles for purchase and lending through public libraries. This means that the Jasmine Digital Library will now be able to offer more titles by many of your favorite authors:

- Nora Roberts
- Lee Child
- Patricia Cornwell
- Iris Johansen
- Harlan Coben
- Tom Clancy
- Ken Follett
- Clive Cussler

It may take some time for titles to become available as the various li-

braries in the consortium purchase copies for lending, so be patient and keep checking the Jasmine website (jasmine.lib.overdrive.com) for new titles added.

The Fairfield County Library has been participating in the Jasmine Digital Library consortium since last December. Downloadable ebooks and audiobooks are just a click away using your library barcode and pin number. Patrons who are not sure whether their library card is current or whether they have a pin number should come by the library to get set up.

The Jasmine Digital materials are available in formats to match many different devices. Help is online at the Jasmine website, or patrons can contact Chrishonda Gaither at the library for personal help.

Legal Information Program Series Coming to Winnsboro

The library and several other local agencies are facilitating a series of information sessions on legal topics of interest to the general public. The sessions will be conducted by the South Carolina Access to Justice Commission in cooperation with the USC School of Law Pro Bono Program.

This "rural justice" project brings law students and lawyers to rural areas in South Carolina to present information on legal topics such as divorce, child support modification, housing law, identity theft, and expungement. The presentations are free and open to all.

October 8, 6:00 p.m. — Divorce & November 12, 6:00 p.m. — Housing Issues

Location: Christ Central Community Center, Congress Street, Winnsboro, SC

DIRECTOR'S DESK

SARAH MCMASTER

"I want something good to read...."

This phrase strikes fear into the heart of every librarian, and yet it also gets our professional juices flowing! Helping a person find the right book at the right time is one of the most rewarding parts of my job.

The professional term for helping someone find a book to read is "reader's advisory." Boiled down, it's the process of determining what the patron thinks is "good" and then making suggestions for something similar. For example, if a person likes John Grisham, I might suggest Vince Flynn who also writes legal thrillers.

Each person's definition of what is "good" varies. Do they define good by the setting of the book? For example, many people like books set in the

South. Perhaps good is defined by the time period the books takes place. Examples could be during the middle ages, or the Civil War, or Ancient Rome. For some people good is defined by genre, i.e., mystery, romance, science fiction, western.

There are many books and websites to assist librarians with reader's advisory, but my favorite tool is the website mentioned in **WebLinks** below: www.fantasticfiction.com. Search on your favorite author, scroll down to the bottom of the page and you will find a list of links to similar authors. It's a quick and easy way to discover a new author. Give it a try and you may be on your way to your next "good" read!

As always, feel free to reach me by email at sarah@fairfield.lib.sc.us or by phone at 803-589-8073.

Just for Kids

- Come to **First Thursday Family Night Story Hours** on October 3, November 7, and December 5 at 7:00 p.m.
- Don't miss the **Fall Story Hour Series** on Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m. on October 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29



- Dress up and join the parade at the annual **Halloween Costume Contest** on Thursday, October 31st at 4:00 p.m. (Judging at 4:30 p.m.)
- Help trim the library's Christmas tree on Thursday, December 5th at 7:00 p.m.



Food for Thought

For one who reads, there is no limit to the number of lives that may be lived, for fiction, biography, and history offer an inexhaustible number of lives in many parts of the world, in all periods of time.

—Louis L'Amour

From the Friends

**The Friends' Fall Meeting
Sunday, October 20, 4:00 p.m.**

**Join the Friends of the Library
and the
Fairfield County Arts Council
to recognize the winners of the
Rock Around the Clock Essay Contest**

The essay topic is "Our Town" and each of the nine winners will read his or her essay. The winners will be presented with a gift certificate and their families and teachers will be invited to attend. Come hear what our young folks think about Winnsboro and encourage our young writers! Refreshments will follow the program.



**October 20-26, 2013
National Friends of the Library
Week**

BY THE NUMBERS...

Here are just a few statistics from 2012-2013:

- The library circulated **55,882** items
- **1401** new people registered for library cards
- In just six months, the library lent **747** ebooks
- The library's public computers were used **25,208** times
- As part of the SC LENDS consortium, the Fairfield County Library lent **6,409** items and borrowed **1,822** from other libraries
- 233 Children registered for the Summer Reading Program
- The library added **3,728** new items to the collection

WebLinks: Sarah's Favorites!

Here are two websites that I use almost daily.

www.fantasticfiction.com

This is a searchable database of thousands of authors. You can pull up your favorite author and there will be a short biography, but best of all there is a list of every book written by the author sorted by series character and date. If, like me, you want to read an author's books in

the order they were written, this site is for you!

www.imdb.com

This site will answer any question you have about television and movies. You can search by name of movie or show, or by an actor's name. Great for answering questions like "What other show did I see this person in?" or "Who starred in that movie?"

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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

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Library Events ~~~ October-December, 2013

Main Library

October 1 4:00 p.m. Fall Story Hour Series
October 3, 4:00 p.m. Family Night
October 8, 4:00 p.m. Fall Story Hour Series
October 15, 4:00 p.m. Fall Story Hour Series
October 20-26 Friends of the Library Week
October 20, 4:00 p.m. Friends Fall Meeting
October 22, 4:00 p.m. Fall Story Hour Series
October 29, 4:00 p.m. Fall Story Hour Series
October 30, 5:00 p.m. Friends Board Meeting
October 31, 4:00 p.m. Halloween Costume Contest
November 7, 7:00 p.m. Family Night
December 5, 7:00 p.m. Family Night: Trim the Tree

Ridgeway Branch

October 3, 10, 17, 24, 4:00 p.m.
Fall Story Hour Series
November 7, 4:00 p.m. Story Hour
December 5, 4:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Party



*The Library Will Be Closed
Thursday, November 28th & 29th
for Thanksgiving
and
December 24th-26th
for
Christmas*