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The FRIENDS of the MIMS / SCOTTSMOOR LIBRARY

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“COOK THE BOOK” BOOK CLUB

No fooling! The popular “Cook the Book” Book Club will meet on **Thursday, April 21, 2016 at 6:00pm**. In April, recipes will be from *Trisha Yearwood's Home Cooking*. Everyone's invited to prepare and bring a recipe from the book to share with others, and to discuss how well the recipe worked. Registration required. Club is open to public. Check with Reference Librarian Beth – **264-5080** – for details on which recipe to prepare.

FRIENDS MEETING

The General Meeting of FRIENDS of the Mims/Scottsmoor Library will be **Thursday, April 11, 2016 at noon**. We invite you to join FRIENDS for \$5 a year. Active members are urgently needed; also, new officers will be needed in May! Please volunteer to serve as an officer for one year. Current officers will be happy to offer advice on doing the job, and FRIENDS will appreciate your new ideas and enthusiasm!

*****Many, many thanks** go to those extraordinarily wonderful FRIENDS Members who **generously** donated their time, muscles and skills to make our 2016 sale a success. Some members baked goodies to sell; some sold the books and baked goods; and some spent many hours unpacking, moving, sorting, alphabetizing, and attractively arranging *thousands* of books for our big March “Book and Bake Sale.”

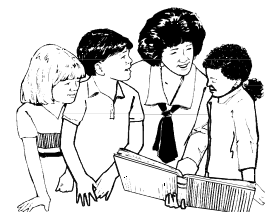
Of course, after the sale, these amazing volunteers packed up, moved and stored the remaining *thousands* of books for next year's sale. If you didn't help this year, we are counting on you for next September!

ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD'S CREATIVITY

On **Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at 3:30pm** the *Creative Writing Club* meets. It's a fun time—just bring a notebook. Children ages 7 and up are invited to join Ms. Brittany and Ms. Ruth for writing activities, crafts and refreshments. **264-5080**

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Each Friday at 10:30am - Join Ms. Sandy for stories and a craft.



ADULT COLORING CLUB

April 19, 2016 from 2:00pm - 3:00pm Join us monthly for this highly popular event. All materials are provided.

LAVENDER SOAP & BATH SALTS MAKE DELIGHTFUL GIFTS

April 14, 2016 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm Spring is in the air. Create your own springtime Lavender Soaps and Bath Salts. \$10 fee includes materials and instruction. Please call to register.

LEGO BUILDING CLUB

April 20, 2016 from 2:00pm - 3:00pm Children are invited to join Ms. Ruth for Lego building. Legos will be provided. Contact Ruth Shaw – **264-5080**

FAMILY GAME NIGHT

April 28, 2016 from 5:30pm to 7:00pm

Bring the whole family and join in the excitement found at Family Game Night. Games will be provided. For info, contact Ruth Shaw.

ACRYLIC PAINTING CLASS

April 7, 2016 from 6:00 from 8:00pm

Acrylic Painting with Pat Urbano. \$10 fee includes materials and instruction. Please call to register.

ANTIQUe APPRAISALS WITH RICH DEROSA

April, 6, 2016 from 1:00pm from 4:00pm

Bring in your antiques for appraisal. Free.

SOUTHERN GARDENING—PLANS, IDEAS, PHOTOS, NATIVE PLANTS, and RECOMMENDATIONS

Southern homeowners and gardeners value attractive yards. From first site plans to care of the yard, however, southerners face challenges: knowing water restrictions; using fertilizers and pesticides properly--or not at all; selecting the right plants for the right places; and avoiding neonicotinoids.

Best practices now include reducing the areas of grass in yards by replacing some of that water-starved grass with easy-care native plants that will save water. Native plants could also provide attractive summer and fall colors. Having less grass means less yardwork, too.



“Gardening in the South with Don Hastings”

(**Trees, Shrubs, & Lawns**) shows easy-to-follow, step-by-step instructions with “a rare combination of scientific integrity and a down-to-earth, readable style of writing.” (635.9 section in the library)

“Southern Gardening—An Environmentally Sensitive Approach”

by Marie Harrison recommends “useful groundcovers and easy-care, adaptable trees, shrubs, perennials, and annuals.”

“Gardening in the Coastal South”

by Marie Harrison is a book for beginners as well as for seasoned gardeners. Harrison presents expert advice on Florida yards and gardens, plus ways to know and to avoid invasive plants.

“The Natural Company Guides Natural Gardening”

is an instruction manual with beautiful color photos, weather wisdom, ideas on creating a wildlife garden, information on trees and shrubs to attract wildlife, site planning notes, and details on which plants do well in different locations.

“The Organic Gardener’s Handbook of Natural Insect and Disease Control—A Complete Problem-Solving Guide to Keeping Your Garden & Your Yard Healthy Without Chemicals”

by Ellis and Bradley. The heart of organic gardening is eliminating the need to use chemicals at all. Organic doesn’t necessarily mean safe or harmless. With bees dying in alarming numbers due to pesticides and other chemicals, it’s important that everyone take the utmost care regarding what is sprayed on or applied to yards everywhere.

“John Brookes Natural Landscapes”

tells how to design and plant a garden in tune with the landscape and is a “must-have resource for gardeners.” Beautifully illustrated, it shows many ways to work with nature, including designs for wetlands, woodlands, grasslands, drylands, and even desert.

TITANIC PROGRAM

Ms. Denise Vanaria thrilled the audience with her outstanding performance as Mrs. Thomas Andrews, wife of the designer of the Titanic. Dressed in a gown from that era, she described her life in detail and noted the brief time she shared with her husband. She also emphasized the great concerns he had about this exceptionally large liner, and how the company funding the building of it wouldn't add the safety features that he wanted.



After the performance by Ms. Vanaria, the historian, Dr. T. Andrews, enhanced the audience's understanding of this tragic event by providing more information about the Titanic, and about the sinking of this great vessel. In addition to pictures of the ship, he displayed a copy of a Boston newspaper announcing the tragedy. Using a three-foot long model of the ship, he noted the problems with safety features, structural details, and other causes of the tragedy.



At the end of the program, both speakers played and sang songs from that era and encouraged the audience to sing along.



This impressive, remarkable, and memorable program was sponsored by the Friends of the Mims/Scottsmoor Library.

EARTH DAY

Earth Day, an annual event, is celebrated on April 22. It is a significant occasion during which events worldwide are held to demonstrate support for environmental protection. First celebrated in 1970, it now is coordinated globally by the Earth Day Network and is celebrated in more than 193 countries each year.

On Earth Day 2016, the landmark Paris Agreement is scheduled to be signed by the United States, China, and some 120 other countries! This signing satisfies a key requirement for the entry into force of the historic draft climate protection treaty adopted by consensus of the 195 nations present at the 2015 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Paris. Watch for Earth Day events in our community.

NATIONAL POETRY MONTH

This April marks the 20th anniversary of National Poetry Month, which was inaugurated by the Academy of American Poets in 1996. Over the years, National Poetry Month has become the largest literary celebration in the world with schools, publishers, libraries, booksellers, and poets celebrating poetry's vital place in our culture.

"Poetry is the record of the best and happiest moments of the happiest and best minds."

--Percy Bysshe Shelley, *A Defense of Poetry*

"Poetry is not an assertion of truth, but the making of that truth more fully real to us." --T. S. Eliot