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# The Herington Public Library Newsletter

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## Happenings at the Herington Public Library:

Thanks for taking time to read the Herington Public Library newsletter. Watch the Facebook page, the library Website and the local newspaper for updates about library happenings.

~ Susan Mueller, Children's Librarian, and Shelly Wirtz, Library Director.

**Summer Reading:** The library's Summer Reading Program wrapped up on July 3. There were close to 200 participants. Youngsters learned about rainbows, gardening, robots, fireflies and celebrated the Fourth of July with red, white and blue activities. The Milford Nature Center visited with Kansas Wildlife. All the programs focused on the 2025 theme of "Color Our World." Thanks to K-State Research and Extension for visiting with program resources.

Watch for the End of Summer Reading/Back to School Party in August. It will be announced on the library's sign board and on Facebook. The young adult and adult program will conclude Aug. 1. Prizes will be awarded.

**Summer Boost Camp:** The library cooperated with USD 487 this summer to provide reading enrichment programs at Summer Boost Camp. Special visitors included the K-State Research and Extension Service, the Flint Hills Rural Electric Cooperative Association and Milford Nature Center. Ms. Susan also took baby chicks and gave a lesson about chickens after reading "Chickens to the Rescue."

**Fall Story Time:** The fun and educational Fall Story Time will begin on Thursday, Sept. 11, and continue through Oct. 30. All sessions will meet at 9 a.m. In the library basement. It's free!

**Sunflower Summer Program:** Although this program is greatly reduced this year, it is still worth taking advantage of it!

The Sunflower Summer program allows free access to many of the largest Kansas attractions, museums and zoos for Kansas residents with students enrolled in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. This is the fifth year and because the legislature allocated much less money, it will run only Sat., July 12 – Sun., August 3!

## Herington Public Library Services:

High Speed Internet  
Wireless Internet  
Patron Computers  
Copy Machine  
Fax Machine  
Laminating Machine  
Homebound & Outreach Service  
Handicapped Accessibility  
Book Group  
Children's Story Time  
Summer Reading Program  
Tax Information  
DVDs / Blu Rays  
Audio Books  
Paperbacks  
Newspapers  
Magazines  
Kansas Library Card

### New Books on Order :

- End Game by Jeffrey Archer
- The Secret of Secrets by Dan Brown
- Calder Strong by Janet Dailey
- The Widow by John Grisham
- The Girl From Devil's Lake by J A Jance
- For Richer for Poorer by Danielle Steel
- The House with No Keys by Lindsay Currie
- Photograph by Brian Freeman
- Archibald and the Furry Dinosaurs by Suzanne Lang
- Help Me Find My Hamster by Brooke Hartman

This year there will only be one adult ticket included for each party with additional adults needing to pay. Funds may run out prior to August 3. Updates about the program's season will be delivered on the app. Always double check before visiting any attractions!

Participating venues have been announced.

**Pilcrow Books:** The library received more than 100 books from the Pilcrow Foundation, a group that assists small and rural libraries to build children's and youth collections. Several of these books were used during the Summer reading Program and also will be utilized during Fall Story Time. They are currently featured on a special shelf in the basement. Check them out!

**Popping Books:** Pop in to the library to try a book from our front table. Readers may find a special surprise inside. Hmmm . . . What could it be?

**Witty Writers:** This group meets the fourth Monday of every month at 4:30 p.m. in the library basement. Those who like to write or want to hone their writing skills are welcome. July's meeting has been cancelled due to conflicts.

**Rotating Books:** The library exchanges rotating books on Thursday, August 7th.

**Display Case:** Bobbi Rookstool's collection of Pokémon items are in the display now. Bobbi has over 630 Pokémon Cards, sharing a few in the display along with some toys she's collected. A few of the items she received from a friend in Japan.

If anyone would like to display a collection of "treasures" at the library, please call Shelly at 785-258-2011 to schedule a display.

**Did You Know?:** The Herington Public Library offers the following:

**High Speed Internet** - HPL has four patron computers for the public to use. Wireless access can also be used after hours outside of the library.

**Copy, print and Fax Machine** - patrons can make black and white copies or print information off the computers for \$0.15 per page. Color prints are \$0.25 per page. Faxes being sent or received are \$1.00 for the first page, \$0.50 after that. Please call to let staff know if you will be receiving a fax.

**Laminating Machine:** The library now has a laminating machine. Documents, photos, certificates, etc., can be laminated at the library for only \$1 per sheet. The machine will cover items up to 11x17 inches.

**Book Discussion Group** - The book group meets on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at the library. Anyone is welcome.

