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Newsletter # 19 The FRIENDS of the MIMS / SCOTTSMOOR LIBRARY July 2006

SUMMER PROGRAMS

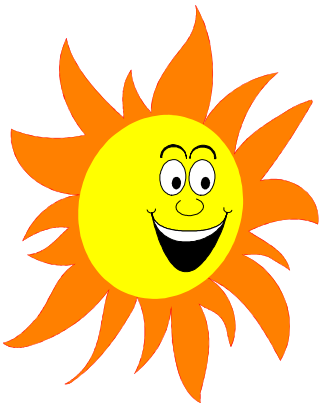
The summer program continues in July with more exciting programs. Monday, July 10th, we will have a **puppet show** by Bob Nathanson called Jeremy's Jungle Adventure. On Thursday, July 20th, Katie Adams a storyteller will visit with pirate tales. Our end of summer program is Thursday July 27th with fun and games.

We will be having a **babysitting class** offered by 4-H for ages 11-18. The class will run from July 10th through July 13th and is already filled with 20 youth ready to be certified for babysitting.

Line dancing with the "Dance Lady" continues on Monday July 3rd, July 17th, July 24th and July 31st, and also on Thursday July 13th. Come join the fun! $2.00 for those age 55 and above, and $4.00 for all others

Acrylic painting with Anne Johnson is Saturday August 12th at 9:30 am $10 fee includes materials

In July on Wednesday, at 9:00 am, Basic **Computer Classes** will be taught. Call 264-5080 for information and reservations.



YOUTH READING PROGRAM

June 8 – July 27
The Mims/Scottsmoor Public Library will conduct its seventh annual Summer Youth Reading Program from Thursday, June 8, 2006 through Thursday, July 27, 2006.

The kick-off program on June 8th at 10:30 am will feature *Didgeroo Down Under* an Australian themed program of music, education and entertainment. Other weekly programs during June and July will feature a magic show, a jungle adventure, a storyteller and much, much more.

The goal of our Summer Reading Program is to encourage children in Florida to become lifelong readers and library users.

Similar programs are held at many public libraries in Brevard County and all over the state.

Story time for ages 5 and under happens every Friday morning in July at 10:30 am. We will be reading *Spot at the Beach*, *Bubble Trouble*, *Do Kangaroos Wear Seatbelts*, and *Fidgety Fish*.

LUCKY YOU

BY CARL HIAASEN
(Reader Book Review)

Have you ever played the Florida Lotto? If so, then this hilarious tale of what happens when two very different parties win the same lotto is a must read. It takes place in the fictitious town of Grange, Florida, which could be Mims.

There are several sub plots and numerous zany characters, but it is still light reading and you will laugh out loud at their shenanigans.

There are 29 hardback copies in the system. The Mims Library has one and also the CD edition.

REFERENCE RESOURCE: Patriotic Songs

Janet Miller, Reference Librarian

Songs Sung Red, White, and Blue: the Stories Behind America's Best-Loved Patriotic Songs by Ace Collins. Call # is R 781.599 COL

This small book covers "the story behind America's best-loved patriotic songs" – 32 of them. Full lyrics are included for songs that are in public domain (no one owns a copyright anymore); and some song writers/composers have allowed inclusion of their lyrics. Did you know that *Yankee Doodle* has several verses? The most popular part of the song is actually part of the chorus.

The book has very old to relatively new songs. Can anyone resist singing along with Lee Greenwood's *God Bless the USA*, especially since September 11th? The book describes, though, the slow and difficult process to get the song recorded and accepted. This book is so good that I am going to get another copy that can be checked out.

I have fond memories of lying on a blanket watching fireworks with my family at a town park; and in my teen years, we were always at a large family reunion using sparklers and some dud rockets (the uncles only set the woods on fire once).

In retrospect, though, my best celebration of Independence Day was spent with some international students at a university. I was the only American; the others were Chinese (from both mainland China and Taiwan), Norwegian, Belgian, and British. Over a potluck lunch as diverse as the people in the group, we discussed our cultures, customs, and family traditions. More than ever before, it made me really think and appreciate the bravery and sacrifice of those who have worked to secure and maintain our freedom.

National Anthems of the World edited by W.L. Reed and M.J Bristow. Call # is R 784.7 NAT

The title is self-explanatory. Besides lyrics, the score of each anthem is shown. Lyrics are in the countries' language with English translation at the end. For most entries, a very short paragraph tells when the anthem was adopted, when the country achieved independence, and sometimes other information. E.g., the national anthem of Cyprus and that of Greece are the same.

REFERENCE RESOURCE: Outdoor Fun

Janet Miller, Reference Librarian

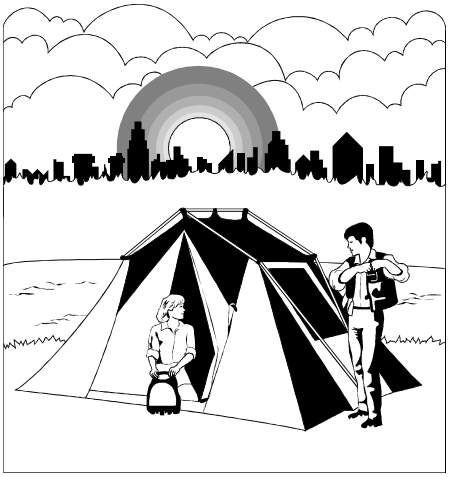
The subject this month is Outdoor Fun. In the reference collection we have several books describing campgrounds as well as specialized camps (usually for children).

Woodall's Campground Directory – North America
Woodall's Campground Guide – the South

Both books have various indexes, descriptions, and advertisements like those in yellow pages.

Guide to ACA Accredited Camps

Organized about the same way, this directory is for children's camps throughout the country. Some are specialized according to the skills they teach, religious emphasis if any, facilities available, etc. Some are also for physically or mentally challenged children.



LINE DANCING

Cathy the "Dance Lady" Johnson will offer basic beginning level classes in "Line Dancing" at the Mims/Scottsmoor Public Library most Monday and Thursday mornings from 10:00 am – 12 noon during the month of July, 2006. Call the library for exact dates.

The fee, per person/per session, will be $2.00 for those age 55 and above, and $4.00 for all others. The class is designed for beginners who are always welcome.

BEAT THE SUMMER HEAT

Local author Darlene Hardister-Heumann will demonstrate ways to *Beat the Summer Heat* at the Mims/Scottsmoor Public Library on Monday, August 28, 2006 at 1:00 pm.

At her demonstration, Darlene will be offering healthy cooking tips for summer entertaining and living, and samples of some of the tasty recipes from her recently published cookbook, *The Southern Sass Cookbook, It's All in the Sass!* The cookbook features fun party menus, easy entertaining ideas and lots of healthy cooking tips and recipes, all in a fun to read format.

Darlene is also the proprietor of Southern Sass, a company offering southern-inspired fun products including the exclusive cookbook, flavored teas, spiced cake mix, adults and kids kitchen aprons, stationery and bath products.

For more information on this program, which is free and open to the public, please call the library at 264-5080.

CONTAINER GARDENING

Sally Scalera, a horticultural agent for Brevard County's Agricultural Extension Service, will present a class on "Container Gardening" at the Mims/Scottsmoor Public Library on Wednesday, September 6, 2006 from 10:00 am to noon.

It doesn't matter where you live – everyone has room for growing plants in containers. Come learn the basics such as choosing the right plant, growing media, types of containers and their pros and cons, watering, fertilizing, insect and disease control and repotting. Also covered will be such topics as examples of plants to grow in the house, sunny areas, shady areas, vegetables and some other edibles.

There will be a $5.00 charge per person for this class. For more information or to pre-register, please call the library at 264-5080.

EDIBLE LANDSCAPING

Sally Scalera will offer a class on "Edible Landscaping" at the Mims/Scottsmoor Public Library on Thursday, October 12, 2006 from 10:00 am to noon.

If your dream is to only grow plants that produce food or you just want to add a few edible plants to your landscape, this class is for you. Topics to be covered include:

(1) Deciduous fruits (grapes, figs, apples etc.)
(2) Evergreen fruits (citrus, avocado, etc.)
(3) Tropical fruits
(4) Vegetables
(5) Culinary herbs
(6) Miscellaneous crops such as pineapple, sugar cane etc.

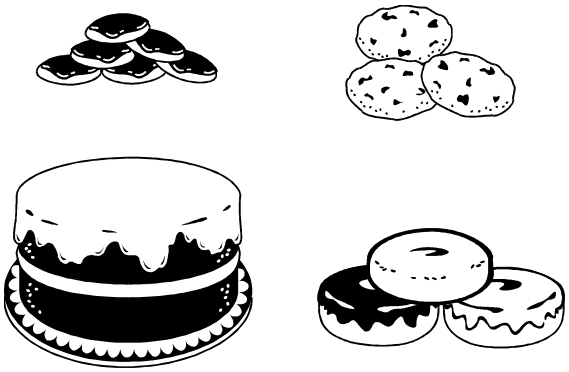
In addition, a CD-ROM may be available for an additional nominal cost that contains photos and/or bulletins of the plants covered in class plus many not covered.

There will be a $5.00 charge per person for this class. For more information or to pre-register for this class, please call the library at 264-5080.

SEPTEMBER BOOK AND BAKE SALE – Help Wanted

The Friends of the Mims/Scottsmoor Public Library will conduct their Fall Book and Bake Sale at the library on Friday, September 15, 2006 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm and on Saturday, September 16, 2006 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Please attend our meeting September 14, 7:00 pm. Everyone is invited!



CLASS FOR HOME SCHOOLERS

The Mims/Scottsmoor Public Library is now offering a "Basic Library Skills" class for children who are home schooled. The classes will include:

(1) Using the computer catalog to search for subjects and titles

(2) Finding items by call numbers

(3) Using basic reference sources to find information

Parents are encouraged to attend with their children and instruction will be tailored to children's ages and learning levels.