

SJNRA Student Media News

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Dear Students:

Welcome back to SJNRA! Hope you had a terrific summer!

We are planning some exciting activities for the library this year starting off with a Scholastic Book Fair to celebrate Teen Read Week. You can browse the fair on Monday, Oct 22, 2007 and begin purchasing books from Tuesday, Oct 23 through Friday, Oct 26. The fair will be located in the library, which will be open all day that week. **COME IN AND TAKE A LOOK!** If you wish, you can check out a partial list of titles that will be in the fair by visiting the Library Web page and clicking on the *School Book Fair* on the left side bar. Follow the link to the Scholastic Web Site. Also, I could use a few student volunteers to help with the fair during their study periods. Please let me know if you would like to be of assistance.

Last fall I started off the year by having you fill out a library survey. This year I would like you to share with me your reading interests. It would really be helpful when I am reading book reviews to know your ideas of what makes for a good read. Please fill the survey out and return it to your Homeroom teacher as soon as possible or you can drop it off at the library.

Have a great year!
Mrs. Buehrer

PS: Future Student Media Newsletters can be picked up in the library or read on the SJNRA Library web page. Only this first issue is being distributed to all the students.

IRC News

We need a few good guys and gals to help form a reading team for the “Battle of the Books” on April 19, 2008. The competition will again be at Hughesville H.S. and we can have a Junior & Senior high team if enough students sign up. Watch and listen for sign-up time in mid November.

SJNRA Library Web Page

Have you visited the Library web page lately? Have you tried the latest crossword puzzle? How about composing a student book review and submitting it? You have the means to perk other students’ interest in the books you have read and enjoyed. There are also many great links to check out on the site, whether you are doing research or looking for college info. [Information@your](mailto:Information@yourlibrary) library!

ILL – Inter Library Loans

If you can’t find what you need in the SJNRA library, know that we can always borrow books from other libraries across the state. You have to plan ahead, but usually we can have a title available for you in 3-4 days. Ask Mrs. Buehrer about the possibility of doing an ILL when a special project requires it or a much-desired book is wanted.

POWER Library – You’ve got the Power, Now Use It!

The POWER Library databases are getting better each year! The State of Pennsylvania continues to finance this library initiative so that we can offer students more and more quality sites to search and use for school reports and projects. Next time "POWER it" instead of "Googleing It" and you will not have to search through thousands of sites, just highly organized and quality databases. If you are doing research at home, you will need to access POWER Library through the J.V. Brown Web site using your library card barcode number.

NEW BOOKS IN SJNRA LIBRARY

646.7 PAC Wise Highs: How to Thrill, Chill and Get Away from It All Without Alcohol or Other Drugs

973.7 HUD Encyclopedia of the Underground Railroad

909.07 WIE The Medieval and Early Modern World

959.704 CAP 10,000 Days of Thunder: a History of the Vietnam War (Caputo)

F ADO Jimi and Me (Jaime Adoff) Keith James goes through a lot of psychological and emotional pain when his father is gunned down at a convenience store in Brooklyn.

F KAD Weedflower (Cynthia Kadohata) This is the story of 12-year-old Sumiko, an U.S. born Japanese-American living in California in the days just prior to the bombing of Pearl Harbor. After the Japanese attack, Sumiko and her family and neighbors are moved with other Japanese to an internment camp.

PB BRO First King of Shannara (Terry Brooks) To save the Druids, Breman, an outcast Druid, must convince the people of the Four Lands that their only hope lies in uniting – and in using the magic they fear above all else. (Summary from OCLC)

HAVE YOU READ THIS ONE?

Lost in America by Marilyn Sachs

Nicole Nieman and her parents and little sister live in France. It is November 1943 and they are Jewish. Her father feels they are safe from the Gestapo in their small French town, Nicole’s mother isn’t so sure. And so it happens that when Nicole stays over a friend’s house one evening, she finds her whole family missing when she returns home in the morning. The Gestapo in the middle of the night snatches them up and they are looking for Nicole, too. Her landlady tells her to leave and find shelter some where else. The school’s headmistress is the only one not afraid to take her in. Nicole’s family never returns home after the war, so she decides to follow her friend to America where she finds out that life in this new land “was more than just the Statue of Liberty – the symbol of a new beginning where all good things were possible.”

See if you can solve the *Back to School* puzzle on the Library Web page.
Good Luck!