

Little Free Library Appears in South Bethany!

What is a Little Free Library?

It's a "Take a Book, Return a Book" gathering place where neighbors share their favorite literature and stories. In its most basic form, a Little Free Library is a box full of books where anyone may stop by and pick up a book (or two) and bring back another book to share. You can, too!

Several months ago South Bethany homeowner Lori Cicero introduced the idea of creating a Little Free Library in our town to the Community Enhancement Committee (CEC). The CEC was intrigued by the idea and committee member Pat Weisgerber volunteered her husband Frank's creative building talents. Frank thoroughly researched the concept and joined the "Little Free Library Association (LFLA)" where he gathered further information about building and operating a Little Free Library. Frank offered to build the library and to pay for all necessary materials. He presented photos of a proposed design and style that would fit in with the Town Hall landscape as the CEC recommended placing the library next to Town Hall. Lori Cicero volunteered to serve as the library's "steward," overseeing the operation and maintenance of the library books and its process. The Town Council voiced its support at its July 12th Town Council meeting and Frank set to work!

Frank's charming weatherproof Amish-style structure was installed near Town Hall on August 21st and within a few hours, neighbors were seen exchanging books! Frank and Pat also placed yellow information cards explaining how the library works in an information box. **The SB Little Free Library will be "officially" dedicated on August 28th at 11:00 am** and Frank will install our town's authentic Little Free Library sign received from the LFL Association. Our town's library will join 15,000 outlets in 60 countries – a movement that began in 2009 to promote a sense of community, literacy and the love of reading!



Frank installs the new SB Little Library

Library stewards Lori Cicero, Frank and Pat Weisgerber



Sue Callaway, CEC Chair, Frank Weisgerber, Don Chrobot, SB Maintenance Department, Lori Cicero and Pat Weisgerber are ready for the first SB Little Free Library customers!