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Library says readers can be book givers

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As an official distribution site for "World Book Night," April 23, 2014, Tulsa City-County Library customers can apply to be "book givers" and receive 20 paperback books to give away for free.

World Book Night is a national campaign to encourage reading and giving. On this day, 25,000 volunteers throughout the U.S. will each receive 20 books to give to light or non-readers and to those without the means or access to books. Selected book givers will receive their books to give at a library reception the week before World Book Night on April 23.

Book lovers can ap-

ply online to become a volunteer book giver through Jan. 5, 2014. Book descriptions for the 35 chosen titles in English and Spanish, guidelines and an online application are available at www.us.worldbooknight.org. Applicants will be notified in February if they were selected as a book giver and which book they will receive to distribute in the community.

"I'm excited to be part of a nationwide effort to get books into the hands of those who tend not to read much," said Cindy Hulse, Central Readers' Library and Media Center manager. "The library is proud to be a pick-up location for book givers for the first time this year.

The mission of World Book Night is a perfect fit with the mission of the library. We aim to foster a love of reading and lifelong learning."

The 35 World Book Night titles for 2014, alphabetical by author, are:

The Zookeeper's Wife, Diane Ackerman (W.W. Norton)

Kitchen Confidential, Anthony Bourdain (Ecco)

The Weird Sisters, Eleanor Brown (Berkley)

The Perks of Being a Wallflower, Stephen Chbosky (Simon & Schuster)

After the Funeral, Agatha Christie (William Morrow Paperbacks)

The Ruins of Gorlan: Ranger's Apprentice Book 1, John Flanagan (Puffin Books)

Hotel on the Corner

of Bitter and Sweet, Jamie Ford (Ballantine Books)

Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet in Large Print (Thorndike/Gale; Cengage Learning)

The Lighthouse Road, Peter Geye (Unbridled Books)

The Tipping Point, Malcolm Gladwell (Back Bay Books)

Wait Till Next Year, Doris Kearns Goodwin (Simon & Schuster)

Catch-22, Joseph Heller (Simon & Schuster)

The Dog Stars, Peter Heller (Vintage)

Hoot, Carl Hiaasen (Knopf)

Pontoon: A Novel of Lake Wobegon, Garrison Keillor (Penguin Books)

Same Difference, Derek Kirk Kim (First Second Books)

Enchanted, Alethea Kontis (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)

Miss Darcy Falls in Love, Sharon Lathan (Sourcebooks)

Bobcat and Other Stories, Rebecca Lee (Algonquin Books)

Young Men and Fire, Norman Maclean (University of Chicago Press)

Tales of the City, Armistead Maupin (HarperPerennial)

Waiting to Exhale, Terry McMillan (New American Library)

Sunrise Over Fallujah, Walter Dean Myers (Scholastic)

Bridge to Terabithia, Katherine Paterson (HarperTrophy)

The Botany of Desire, Michael Pollan (Random House)

Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Chil-

dren, Ransom Riggs (Quirk Books)

When I Was Puerto Rican, Esmeralda Santiago (Da Capo)

Cuando Era Puertorriqueña, Esmeralda Santiago (Vintage Español)

Where'd You Go, Bernadette, Maria Semple (Back Bay Books)

Where'd You Go, Bernadette in Large Print (Thorndike/Gale; Cengage Learning)

Wild, Cheryl Strayed (Vintage)

Presumed Innocent, Scott Turow (Grand Central Publishing)

Code Name Verity, Elizabeth Wein (Disney Hyperion)

This Boy's Life, Tobias Wolff (Grove Atlantic)

100 Best-Loved Poems, edited by Philip Smith (Dover)

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High school-aged teens report using their phones

ter Kissinger, President and CEO of the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety. "At the same time, it is discouraging that cell phone use-

search," said Chuck Mai, spokesman for AAA Oklahoma. "None of us is immune from the dangers of distracted driving. The best

percent) believe that others texting or emailing while behind the wheel is a serious threat.

According to the National

Study: Teens text less while driving

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teens as being the most common offenders, a recent survey found that adult drivers ages 25-39 were the most likely to admit engaging in these risky behaviors behind the wheel.

"It's noteworthy that the young novice drivers are using their phones while driving less than older drivers since, given their inexperience, they are especially susceptible to distracted driving crashes," said Pe-

reported using a cell while driving within the past month. Forty-three percent of adults ages 25-39 reported doing so fairly often or regularly while driving, compared to only 20 percent of teens. Motorists age 60 and up were the least likely to report using a phone.

"Using your phone while driving may seem safe, but it roughly quadruples your risk of being in a crash according to previous re-

Adults ages 25-39 reported texting and driving most frequently, while those age 60 and up reported doing it the least.

Nearly nine-in-ten (88 percent) motorists believe distracted driving is a bigger problem now than it was three years ago. About 89 percent believe that other drivers talking on a cell phone while driving is a serious threat to their personal safety, while nearly all (96

agree the numbers are likely underestimated. Previous research shows that hands-free cell phones offer no significant safety benefits over handheld phones - hands-free is not risk-free.

The AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety collected the data as part of the 2013 Traffic Safety Culture Index. The data are from a sample of 2,325 licensed drivers, ages 16 and older, who reported driving in the past 30 days.



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