**LibraryWise: News and Notes from the Greenwood Reading Center**

Howdy, Friends! Would you like to hear a story? The Greenwood Reading Center has a patron who, along with the spouse, became interested in a television series and eagerly watched the entire first season of the show over the course of a week. Unfortunately for both of them, only the first season was available on their paid streaming platform.

They checked another platform where they could ‘rent’ the series, for a whopping twenty dollars per season! With five seasons yet unwatched- nearly a hundred episodes- the couple didn’t want to spend that much money to watch just one show. Still another streaming platform offered the series, but the patron didn’t want to have to pay monthly for something they would probably not watch again after the show had been fully enjoyed.

Our loyal patron came to us, asking if the series was available from the Southern Tier Library System. The answer, of course, was a resounding ‘yes!’ Multiple libraries in the system have copies of the series on DVD. With a few strokes of the librarian’s keyboard, the patron was able to request and receive all five, unwatched seasons of the show for free.

So you see that the library is more than a repository of books; it’s a resource- a FREE resource- for the benefit of the entire community. Not only that, but did you know that the Southern Tier Library System now also has an app that allows patrons to access e-books and other digital materials from their personal devices, including Kindle e-readers? If you’re interested in Libby, you’re welcome to stop in or go to STLS.org for more information. Why pay for books online when you can get them for free?

FAQs: Our hours are Monday 2:00-7:00pm, Tuesday and Friday 9:00am to 2:00pm, Wednesday 11:00am to 4:00pm. The Wonder of Words Book Club is on hiatus due to good weather, but Homework Helpdesk from 4:00 to 6:00. We have fax capabilities and can make copies for a small charge. Yes, you can find us on Facebook!