"Alter Your Life with Books" program at Hermann Library

Saturday, May 25, starting at 10:30 a.m., the Hermann Branch of Scenic Regional Library will be beginning a series of programs called "Alter Your Life with Books." The purpose of this program is to give those who attend the chance to create their own altered book with the help of mixed media artist Susan Penrod.

The series will continue throughout the summer, happening on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month.

What is an altered book, you may ask? And the answer to that is that it can be whatever you like it to be. Just take an unwanted book and use it as your canvas. You can paint, collage, rubber stamp, write, cut, tear, fold...do anything you like.

You can create a journal, a photo album, or even a sculpture from your book. You will be transforming old books into new works of art. And, by the end of the series, you will have something wonderful to keep.

The program series will be held at the library, and although it begins at 10:30 a.m., the program will last until 3 p.m. allowing you to arrive and work on your altered book at any time throughout the day. Some materials, including the books, will be provided by the library, but you may bring anything, such as personal photographs or meaningful ephemera, you would like to include in your work of art. For more information or to register to attend, call the library at 573-486-2024.