



#### Issue 11

#### A MONTHLY PUBLICATION FROM YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY

#### Message from the Director

There's a fun tool called the Library Value Calculator that libraries all over the country use to demonstrate to people the value of their services.



They enter their library's usage statistics into the calculator and it shows how much money their services are worth if people had to pay for them at a business. For

Director Steven Campbell example, if the average price of an adult hardcover book on Amazon.com is worth \$17 and the Library checks out an adult hardcover book 10 times, the book has given the public \$170 of value. The calculator includes every type of service from music CDs (\$10 average price on iTunes) and DVDs (\$4 average price through Netflix) to an hour of computer use (\$12 average price at Fed Ex or Kinko's) and children's program (\$7 average admission fee to a children's program).

Last year, the Library's budget was a little over \$2 million, with \$1.9 million coming from local property taxes.According to the Library Value Calculator, Scenic Regional provided the public with an incredible \$13,267,334 worth of library services. You can find the Library Value Calculator and all the details on the library's website at <u>www.scenicregional.org/value</u>. Most government entities can't provide a spreadsheet showing people that they're giving them a 700% return on their tax money in the form of services.

Scenic Regional Library has a proposed 10-cent levy increase on the April 8 ballot.

For more information, go to: scenicregional.org/levy



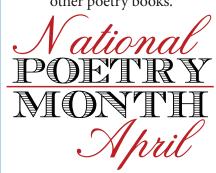
#### April 2014



A great way to learn about upcoming programs and events at the library is to follow us on Facebook. "Like" your local branch's Facebook page today!

#### Celebrate National Poetry Month at the Union Branch

April is National Poetry Month. Sidewalk chalk will be available for patrons at the Union branch to write poetry outside on the sidewalk. Patrons are also invited to add poems, either written by themselves or by someone else, to a notebook that will be placed in the library's collection with its other poetry books.





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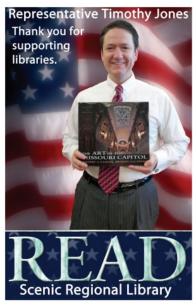


#### Library Advocacy Day

Every year, librarians and other library supporters from around the state head to Jefferson City for Library Advocacy Day. It's an opportunity for them to meet with their legislators and talk with them about issues that are important to Missouri's public libraries. Library Advocacy Day is organized by the Missouri Library Association and includes an orientation for participants. This year, the event was held on March 4 and Scenic Regional Library had four representatives visit Jefferson City: IT Supervisor, Maureen Willmann; Administrative Assistant, Jamie Summers; Union Branch Manager, Diane Disbro; and Library Director, Steve Campbell. The group met with seven of the library district's ten state senators and representatives. During the visits, they took photographs of all the representatives to create Read posters that will be placed in the library's branches.



Scenic Regional Library's IT Supervisor, Maureen Willmann (right), and Administrative Assistant, Jamie Summers (left), with Speaker of the House Timothy Jones at Library Advocacy Day in Jefferson City.



The Read poster created for State Representative Timothy Jones. The poster will be placed in the Pacific branch.

#### Art by Suzie Ham on Display at the Union Branch

Suzie Ham, local artist, is displaying her art at the Union Branch of Scenic Regional Library during the month of March. Ham is a native of Belfast, Ireland, currently living in Marthasville. A qualified artist for Grumbacher and Michaels, Ms. Ham teaches private and group art classes in Wentzville and Washington. Some people know her as the former owner of The Blackthorn Stick, an Irish store in Washington. Visit the Library to view her work or to check out art instruction books to create your own masterpiece. To learn about displaying art at the Union branch, call 636-583-3224 or email ddisbro@scenicregional.org.





Union Branch Manager, Diane Disbro, presented Women in History at the Hermann Branch on March 13 to celebrate Women's History Month.

#### "Blind Date with a Book" Program at the Owensville Branch

The Owensville Branch recently kicked off an adult reading program called "Blind Date with a Book". Participants can select a specially-wrapped book from the display, take it home, unwrap it, and read it. After reading the book, they can write a brief review using a form included with each book. When they submit the completed review, they will be entered in a drawing to win one of four prizes. Drawing prizes include a \$25 gift certificate from Old World Creations (a local florist and gift store), \$50 gift certificate from Walmart, \$20 gift certificate from Dos Primos, and a movie theme gift basket. The program will continue until May 31.





# The Scenic Regional Library



# Explore <mark>Upcoming</mark>

#### UNION

April is National Poetry Month. Participate all month by writing poetry and finding surprise poems throughout the library.

KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS **Preschool Storytime** Wednesdays & Saturdays @ 10 AM

#### Teen Tuesday

April 8 from 4-5 PM Join us for a program created with YOU in mind! April 15 from 3-5 PM Electronic and board games! Come play!

#### ADULT PROGRAMS A Card for Every Occasion April 1 at 6 PM Learn techniques for creating greeting cards. Register to attend.

The Chain Gang April 4 at 6 PM Come crochet with us!

#### **B.A.CH. Book Club**

April 17 at 7 PM To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee will be discussed.

#### **Basic Car Care**

April 29 at 6 PM Learn how to do some basics without the aid of an auto mechanic. Register to attend.



Over 100 people turned out to listen to Blueberry Jam perform live Irish music at the Warrenton Branch on March 11. Attendees also enjoyed a festive spread of St. Paddy's Day refreshments.

WARREN COUNTY **KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS** Preschool Storytime Tuesdays at 10 AM April's theme is plants and gardens: seeds, plants, trees, flowers, and gardens.

#### Robotics

April 28 from 3-5 PM Calling all 5th graders through high school seniors!! Help design and assemble robots with the WHS Robotics Club. Sign up at the Library or call 636-456-3321.

#### Self Defense

April 15 from 4-5 PM Teens ages 12-18 are invited to learn techniques with Jeremiah Koch. Sign up at the Library or call 636-456-3321.

ADULT PROGRAMS Perennial Gardening April 15 from 6:30-7:30 PM Master gardener Wanda Thomas will be here to answer questions and help you ready your garden. Sign up at the Library or call 636-456-3321.

#### Intro to Cheesemaking

April 22 from 6:30-7:30 PM Join Janet Hurst to learn about cheesemaking and sample tasty bites. Sign up at the Library or call 636-456-3321. Space is limited!

#### "Missouri River Country" Book Signing

April 29 from 6:30-7:30 PM Author Dan Burkhardt will be here to discuss his new coffee table book. Sign up at the Library or call 636-456-3321.

#### **Book Club**

April 16 at 2 PM

We will be discussing The Geurnsey Literary and Potato Peel Society by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows.



A big crowd turned out to listen to representatives from Platt Nursery present Starting Your Container Garden at the Union Branch on March 11.



#### **HERMANN KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS Preschool Storytime** Thursdays at 10 ÅM

#### Homeschool Program: Upcycled Creations April 22 from 2-3:30 PM

Choose your own projects: Repurpose a glass jar to make a glittery candle holder; use magazines to make butterflies and buttons to make bookmarks. Bring any t-shirt to repurpose as a reusable bag and another solid t-shirt to redesign using a bleach pen.

#### **Teen Scene: Upcycled Creations** April 23 from 3-4:30 PM

Choose your own projects: Make a picture frame, a decorative stencil, or woodblock picture from discarded books and magazines. Repurpose a glass jar to make a glitter candle holder. Bring any t-shirt to repurpose as a reusable bag and another solid t-shirt to redesign using a bleach pen.

#### ADULT PROGRAMS **Be Creative! Creative Writing Club** Every 2nd Wednesday at 6 PM

Join us for Book Club

Every 3rd Wednesday at 6 PM

#### Art Show: The Prettiest Town in America April 4 from 6-8 PM

An art photography exhibit featuring the work of Tony Carosella and Bill Fields opens at the Hermann Branch featuring photographs that focus on Hermann's beauty. Join us for a reception honoring the exhibit's opening. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call or come in to the Library.

#### Knit with Us!

April 5 at 2 PM

Carol Hurt, a highly regarded knitting instructor, will be at the Library for a special session of our knitting class. Bring your yarn, needles, and all the questions you have about knitting. The class is for beginners to experts. For more information, call or come in to the Library.





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### Upcoming

NEW HAVEN KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS Preschool Storytime Tuesdays at 10 AM In April, we will enjoy stories, songs, crafts, and finger plays about April Fool's Day, plants, gardens, and Easter.

#### ADULT PROGRAMS

#### Yarn & Yak

April 9 from 6-8 PM Yarn crafts group meets the first Wednesday of each month at New Haven Library. Bring your projects and ideas. Reservations are not needed.

**Pincushion Button Jar** 

April 10 from 6:30-7:30 PM Old New Haven School, 810 Maupin Street Make this cute craft to keep your sewing supplies handy or gift a friend. Reservations are required.

#### **Book Club**

April 23 at 5 PM We will discuss *The Kitchen House* by Kathleen Grissom. Call or stop by to pick up a copy. Everyone is welcome. Book Club meets at the library.

Coming in May: Butterfly Gardening. May Book Club selection is *Sarah's Key* by Tatiana de Rosnay.



Due to the popularity, Jeremiah Koch from Hapkido presented two sessions of Self Defense on February 25 at the Warrenton Branch.

### Events

**PACIFIC** KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS **Preschool Storytime** Thursdays at 10 AM

**Read with Max** April 12 from 11 AM-12 PM

**Crafty Kids Club** April 15 from 4-5 PM Easter crafts.

Easter Eggs-Travaganza April 19 from 10-11 AM

Read 'n Build April 19 from 11 AM-12 PM Ages 5 and up.

ADULT PROGRAMS (18+) Registration required for the following programs. Please call 636.257.2712 or visit the library to sign up.

**Spring Sweets** April 2 at 6 PM & April 16 at 6 PM Professional baker Lea Saenger. This is a two-part class.

#### Medicine in the Civil War

April 9 at 6 PM Civil War historian and re-enactor Charles Staats.

Adult Book Club April 23 at 6:30 PM



Kids could get their photo taken with the Cat in the Hat at the Pacific Branch's Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration.

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#### **ST. CLAIR** KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS

**Preschool Storytime** Thursdays from @ 11 AM Also, Saturday, April 26 at 11 AM

Family Tech Night April 16 from 4-6 PM Learn how to use your gadgets.

**Read-Build-Play Club** April 26 at 10 AM

**Teen Time** April 23 from 3-5 PM Rubber band bracelets!

**Teen Book Club** April 18 at 3:15 PM April book is *City of Bones* by Cassandra Clare.

ADULT PROGRAMS Gardening by Missouri Extension April 12 from 10-11 AM

Adult Book Club April 24 from 2-3 PM *Glass Castle* by Jeanette Wells.

Country Western Line Dancing Lessons April 30 from 6-8 PM With Dave Hileman, Extension. OWENSVILLE

KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS **Preschool Storytime** Thursdays at 4:30 PM Join the fun with stories, songs, and crafts!!

**Special Storytime** April 26 at 10 AM Guest reader: David Groenke, DMD.

Teen Club 1st & 3rd Mondays from 3:30-5:30 PM Owensville Middle School, Room N-12. ADULT PROGRAMS

ADULT I Nifty Knitters April 2 at 6:30 PM Everyone is welcome!

Movie Night April 4 at 7 PM Showing The Hunger Games: Catching Fire.

**Book Club** April 16 at 6:30 PM We will be discussing *The Secret Life of Bees* by Sue Monk Kidd.

**It's Spring Cleaning Time** April 24 from 2-4 PM Learn to make your own cleaning products.

**Introduction to Sign Language** April 25 from 6:30 PM What is sign language? Who needs to learn it? Want to learn how to sign it?



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#### Family Fort Night & Stuffed Animal Sleepover at the Union Branch

Families were invited to the library on March 14 for Family Fort Night and Stuffed Animal Sleepover at the Union Branch. The children had a storytime with a snack, built reading forts after hours, and played hide 'n go seek in the dark, all before leaving our stuffed animal friends at the library for a sleepover. Visit the Union Branch's Facebook page at

www.facebook.com/unionlibrary for more great photos from this fun event.



Youth Services Librarian, Christy Schink, read a story about having a sleepover.



Children and their parents built forts in the Library and read stories.



After everyone left, the stuffed animals were able to explore the Library on their own.

#### Franklin County Circuit Court Donates Microfilm to Scenic Regional Library

On March 21, the Franklin County Circuit Court donated probate records on microfilm to Scenic Regional Library's Union Branch. The collection contains Franklin County's estate and guardianship records from 1818 to 1873. Circuit Court Clerk Bill Miller presented the donation to the library at the Franklin County Judicial Center in Union. The records will provide a goldmine of information for genealogical researchers in the county. An index of the entire collection was also provided by the Circuit Court and can be found on the ibrary's website at

http://scenicregional.org/history-genealogy.



Circuit Court Clerk Bill Miller (left) presents the microfilm donation to Scenic Regional Director Steve Campbell (center) and Union Branch Manager Diane Disbro (right).

## Scenic Regional Library Launches eReading Room for Kids 768 new e-books and 430 new e-audiobooks just for kids!



On March 27, the library unveiled its new eReading Room for kids. The collection includes 768 new e-books and 430 new e-audiobooks just for kids! The collection includes both fiction and non-fiction titles and can be searched by subject, reading level, and other criteria. Just like the library's regular e-book collection, the eReading Room is hosted through Overdrive. However, the new site only includes content with juvenile subjects; other subjects cannot be accessed from this site. As a result, children can browse the eReading Room collection without having to also sift through titles intended for adults. To search or browse this incredible new digital collection, visit <a href="http://scenicregional.lib.overdrive.com/kids">http://scenicregional.lib.overdrive.com/kids</a>.



Pick up a free Scenic Regional Library static window cling for your car at your local branch.

Read

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The lucky winner of the St. Clair Branch's 5-pound chocolate bar. A gigantic Hershey's bar was the prize drawing for the Winter Reading Bingo program at each branch.



Children color shamrocks at the Owensville Branch's St. Patrick's Day storytime on March 13.



On March 6, the St. Clair Branch's Homeschool Club made Mr. Potato Heads to celebrate National Potato Chip Week.



The Owensville Branch showed the movie Bringing Up Baby, with Cary Grant and Kate Hepburn, at Gasconade Manor on March 14.

#### Administrative Office (ADMIN)

308 Hawthorne Drive Union, Missouri 63084 Phone: 636-583-0652

Mon thru Fri: 8am - 5pm Sat: Closed Sun: Closed

#### Union Branch (UN)

308 Hawthorne Drive Union, Missouri 63084 Phone: 636-583-3224

Mon & Fri: 9am - 6pm Tues, Wed, & Thurs: 9am - 8pm Sat: 9am - 3pm Sun: Closed

#### Hermann Branch (HR)

601 Market Street Hermann, Missouri 65041 Phone: 573-486-2024

Mon: Closed Tues, Thurs, & Fri: 9 am - 6 pm Wed: 11 am - 8 pm Sat: 9 am - 3 pm Sun: Closed

#### **Locations & Hours**

**Owensville Branch (OW)** 107 North First Street Owensville, Missouri 65066 Phone: 573-437-2188

Mon: Closed Tues, Thurs, & Fri: 8:30 am - 5:30 pm Wed: 8:30 am - 7 pm Sat: 8:30 am - 1 pm Sun: Closed

#### Pacific Branch (PC)

119 West St. Louis Street Pacific, Missouri 63069 Phone: 636-257-2712

Mon: Closed Tues, Thurs, & Fri: 9 am - 6 pm Wed: 9 am - 8 pm Sat: 9 am - 3 pm Sun: Closed

#### New Haven Branch (NH)

901 Maupin New Haven, Missouri 63068 Phone: 573-237-2189

Mon: Closed Tues, Thurs, & Fri: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm; 1 pm - 5:30 pm Wed: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm; 1 pm - 7 pm Sat: 8:30 am - 1 pm Sun: Closed

#### St. Clair Branch (SC)

515 E Springfield St. Clair, Missouri 63077 Phone: 636-629-2546

Mon: Closed Tues, Thurs, & Fri: 8:30 am - 5:30 pm Wed: 8:30 am - 7 pm Sat: 9 am - 1:30 pm Sun: Closed

#### Warren County Branch (WR)

912 South Hwy 47 Warrenton, Missouri 63383 Phone: 636-456-3321

Mon, Thurs, & Fri: 9am - 6pm Tues & Wed: 9am - 8pm Sat: 9am - 3pm Sun: Closed

