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Message from the Director

Over the past thirty years, public libraries all over the country have gradually been moving from being warehouses of books to community centers.



While libraries are certainly still a place where people can check out materials, they're becoming much more.

Today, many libraries are places

Director Steven Campbell where people can get health screenings and help with their taxes. People can apply for jobs online using a library's public computers, send a FAX, register to vote, attend a candidate's forum, and, in some cases, even vote.

Most libraries offer a wide range of programs for all ages. People can learn everything from watercolor painting and yoga to Microsoft Excel and financial planning. Libraries are comfortable, quiet places where friends can meet. Civic organizations hold meetings at libraries' public meeting rooms.

Children and teens visit libraries to do homework and receive tutoring or play video games. Senior citizens can play Wii Sports and Wii Fit at many libraries. Libraries have also become community cultural centers where people can participate in open mic poetry readings and attend art exhibits.

While Scenic Regional Library's can't be considered a community center yet, we've been working to change that. If the library's tax measure passes on April 8, it will allow our branches to truly become the center of their communities.



Voter Registration Deadline March 12

Are you registered to vote? Scenic Regional Library has a levy increase measure on the April 8 ballot. We encourage everyone to vote. If you want to vote in the April 8 election, the deadline to register is March 12. For information about registering and the forms you will need, visit http://scenicregional.org/register-to-vote. You can also register to vote at any Scenic Regional Library branch.



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!

Hermann Branch:

www.facebook.com/hermannlibrary

New Haven Branch:

www.facebook.com/newhavenlibrary

Owensville Branch:

www.facebook.com/owensvillebranch

Pacific Branch:

www.facebook.com/pacificbranch

St. Clair Branch:

www.facebook.com/stclairbranch

Union Branch:

www.facebook.com/unionlibrary

Warren County Branch:

www.facebook.com/warrentonbranch



On February 7 at the Hermann Branch, Bernadine Oetterer taught attendees quilting tips and tricks.

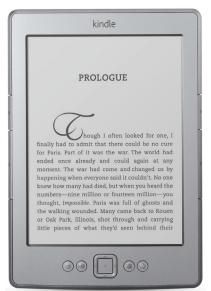
Kindle Pilot Program Looking Successful

On February 1, Scenic Regional Library began offering Kindle e-readers for checkout to patrons at its Hermann and Owensville branches. All the e-readers were checked out within the first few days. The devices are pre-loaded with e-book versions of fifteen bestselling hardcover

Have you been wanting to try out a Kindle e-reader? If you live in Gasconade County, all you have to do is stop by your local branch and borrow one. fiction novels.
The list of titles will be updated periodically as the bestseller lists change. Patrons can be placed on the short waiting list for the next available device.

This is a pilot program. As a result, the devices are only available to Hermann and Owensville Branch patrons at this time. Some of the bestselling fiction titles on each device are *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd, *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt, *DarkWolf* by Christine Feehan, *Standup Guy* by Stuart Woods, *Sycamore*

Row by John Grisham, River Road by Jayne Ann Krentz, and Cross My Heart by James Patterson





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

It's Not too Late to Join the Friends of the Library

It's not too late to become a founding member of your local branch's Friends of the Library. An individual or family can join for as little as \$10. The annual membership dues are used to buy books, DVDs, CDs, computers, equipment, furnishings, and to support programming at the Library. An individual can help the Friends have a greater impact through making a larger contribution. All membership dues and contributions are tax deductible and designated solely for

use by your local branch's Friends of the Library group.

Members in 2014 will have their name and contribution level engraved on a plaque which will be placed on permanent display in their local branch. In addition, members receive a 10% discount on books purchased at the library's book sales and can attend special programs and events at any branch which are only open to Friends of the Library members.

Join the Friends in 2014 and have your name and contribution level engraved on a plaque which will be placed on permanent display in your local branch.

Visit www.scenicregional.org/friends for more information or an application.

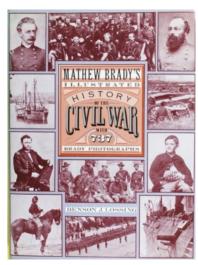


The Owensville branch book club met on February 19 to discuss *The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society*.

Civil War Remembered at Scenic Regional Library

The entire country is in the midst of a 150th year remembrance of the American Civil War, 1861-1865. Scenic Regional Library has created a booklet listing nonfiction titles in its collection about a variety of Civil War subjects. The library has books with battle details and books about Civil War spies, books of Matthew Brady's photographs, and books about women who disguised themselves as men so that they could fight. Stop by the Union branch for a free copy of the booklet.

The library will be hosting programs about the Civil War between now and April 2015. People may call 636-583-3224 for more information.



Mathew Brady's illustrated history of the Civil War, 1861-65

The Scenic Regional Library

Explore Upcoming

UNION

KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS

Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays & Saturdays 10 AM

Teen Tuesday

March 11 from 4-6 PM The Princess Bride interactive movie night. Celebrate this classic film by joining us for our audience participation version.

Family Fort Night/Stuffed Animal Sleepover

March 14 from 5:30-7 PM Ask for details!

ADULT PROGRAMS

The Wild Mushroom

March 4 from 6-7 PM Maxine Stone will teach attendees how to find, identify, and prepare wild mushroom. Sign up to attend.

21st Century Books Reading Group March 6 at 10 AM

Blessings by Anna Quindlen will be discussed.

The Chain Gang

March 7 from 6-7:30 PM Come crochet with us!

Starting Your Container Garden

March 11 from 6-7 PM

Platt Nursery will explain what containers and plants to use in your container garden. Open to adults. Sign up to attend.

B.A.CH. Book Club

March 20 at 7 PM

The Perks of Being a Wallflower by Stephen Chbosky will be discussed.

Bodyweight Fitness: Using Your Body to Get Fit

March 25 from 6-7 PM Chiropractor Megan Goss will teach an in-home workout. Demonstration only. Sign up to attend.

March

WARREN COUNTY

KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS

Preschool Storytime

Tuesdays at 10 AM March's theme is weather: Weather Watch, Cloudy, Rainy and Sunny, and Stormy.

Teen Tuesday Games

March 11 at 4 PM

Teens ages 12-18 are invited to play several board games. Sign up at the library or call 636-456-3321.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Live Irish Music

March 11 from 6:30-7:30 PM Come listen to live Irish music performed by the local band, Blueberry Jam, and enjoy refreshments. Sign up at the library or call 636-456-3321.

New Truxton: Railroad Town to **Ghost Town**

March 25 from 6-7:30 PM Bill Canelos will present a program about New Truxton, MO (only new town in Warren County to be built in the Twentieth Century). Learn about the people, trains, and events. Sign up at the library or call 636-456-3321.

Book Club

March 19 at 2 PM We will be discussing Why My Third Husband Will Be a Dog by Lisa Scottoline.

In honor of Valentine's Day, hearts were the shape of the week at story hour. Children made heart-shaped sun catchers at the Hermann Branch storytime in February.

Explore

HERMANN

KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS

Preschool Storytime

Thursdays at 10 AM

Teen Scene: DIY Crayon Candles March 19 from 3-4:30 PM

Make your own colorful votive candle from crayons.

Homeschool Program: March toward Change

March 25 from 2-3:30 PM

Homeschoolers share their discoveries after researching an activist, movement, or any issue that needs attention and change. Check out their projects to see what they learned!

ADULT PROGRAMS

Be Creative! Creative Writing Club Every 2nd Wednesday at 6 PM

Join us for Book Club

Every 3rd Wednesday at 6 PM

Women in History

March 13 at 7 PM

Join Scenic Regional Library's Diane Disbro as she presents "Ads, Lawbreakers, and Home Cooking: Washington Missourian Stories from the 1940's," in honor of Women's History Month. For more information, call or come in to the library.



Warrenton staff member DeeDee Twiehaus reads to children at the Wesleyan Kiddie College on February 3.

Upcoming

NEW HAVEN

KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS

Preschool Storytime

Tuesdays at 10 AM In March, we will enjoy stories, songs, crafts, and finger plays about weather, clouds, rain, and wind.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Yarn & Yak

March 5 from 6-8 PM Yarn crafts group meets the first Monday of each month at New Haven Library. Bring your projects and ideas. Reservations are not needed.

All Occasion Cards

March 13 from 6-8 PM Old New Haven School, 810 Maupin Street Make some gorgeous all-occasion cards with Barb Kandlbinder. Reservations are required and space is limited.

Introduction to T'ai Ji Quan or Tai Chi, the ancient Chinese martial art

March 20 from 6:30-7 PM Old New Haven School, 810 Maupin Street Bill Fields will demonstrate this way of moving, thinking, and meditating. Reservations are required.

Book Club

March 26 at 5 PM We will discuss *Kaballah: a Love Story* by Lawrence Kushner. Call or stop by to pick up a copy. Book Club meets at the library.

Coming in April:

Mason Jar Crafts, April Book Club selection is *The Kitchen House* by Kathleen Grissom.



Youth Services Librarian Christy Schink reads to children at the Union Branch's Wednesday storytime.

Events

PACIFIC

KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS

Preschool Storytime

Thursdays at 10 AM

Dr. Seuss Celebration

March 1 from 10 AM-12 PM

Crafty Kids Club

March 8 from 10-11 AM Ages 8 and up.

Read with Max

March 8 from 11 AM-12 PM

Read 'n Build

March 15 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.

Native American Archeology

March 5 at 6:30 PM Joel Harl, Vice President of the St. Louis Archaeological Research Center, will give a presentation on the Damper Site of Chesterfield, MO.

Washington Missourian Stories from the 1940's

March 12 at 6:30 PM Diane Disbro, Branch Manager of Union Library, will present "What the Washington Missourian reported about Women during WWII."

Adult Book Club

March 26 at 6:30 PM We will be reading *The Color Purple* by Alice Walker.

Crochet Basics

March 29 at 1 PM With Ann Wideman.



Children at the St. Clair Branch's new Read-BUILD-Play Club build castles with Legos on January 25.

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ST. CLAIR

KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS

Preschool Storytime

Thursdays from 11 AM to 12 PM Also, Saturday, March 29, at 11 AM

Read-Build-Play Club

March 29 at 10 AM

Teen Time

March 19 from 3-5 PM Marshmallow wars!

Teen Book Club

Date to be announced.

March book is *Ender's Game* by Orson Scott Card.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Tax & Estate Planning

March 4 from 3-4 PM

Steve Broadbent, CPA, will provide useful information regarding tax and estate planning.

Give Yourself a Facial at the Library!

March 15 from 10 AM - Noon Diane Overschmidt will provide skin care info, products, and instructions. Reservations required.

Adult Book Club

March 27 from 2-3 PM Cross Gardener by Jason Wright.

OWENSVILLE

KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS

Preschool Storytime

Thursdays at 4:30 PM Join the fun with stories, songs, and crafts!!

Special Storytime

March 29 at 10 AM

Guest reader: Dr. King from Mercy Clinic.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Knitting Circle

March 5 at 6:30 PM

With Instructor, Charlie Hada.

Movie Night

March 7 at 7 PM

Showing Captain Phillips starring Tom Hanks.

Beginning Genealogy

March 13 at 6:30 PM

Pat Hale will show you how to begin researching your family tree.

Book Club

March 19 at 6:30 PM We will be discussing *The Touch* by Colleen McCullough.

Daffy for Daffodils?

March 25 at 6:30 PM Learn all about daffodils!

Database Spotlight

Ancestry.com

March has arrived, and with it has come the promise of spring.

It's time to finally get out of the house after all that snow and pick up the projects we abandoned when the snow hit. Like that family tree you were working on, or maybe never even had the time to start. Lucky for you, you can use Ancestry.com for free at your local branch and get all the benefits of a subscription at none of the cost!

Ancestry.com is the world's largest online resource for family history. It has 12 billion historical records and more than 200 million photographs, scanned documents, and written stories—appropriate resources whether you're a master historian who has already dug back 200 years or you're taking your first steps toward building a family tree. These resources include

ancestry.com

birth, marriage, and death records; military records; wills; city directories; immigration and travel records; school and church directories; newspapers; and 450 million indexed U.S. Census records from 1790 to 1930.

To get started, you can either search for your relative by their name, location, and birth year (if you know it), or click the "Learning Center" tab and click "Begin" underneath "Getting Started". The "First Steps" section will guide you on your search.

From one of the library's computers, navigate to http://scenicregional.org/databases, click on "Genealogy and Biography", and click "Ancestry Library".



Zumba instructor, Kami Farrell, taught participants Zumba at the Union Branch on February 18.

Hermann Seed Library

It's almost spring again!

If you're planning to grow a garden this year, don't forget to stop by the Hermann branch and check out what's available at the Seed Library. The Hermann Seed Library was created last April and is the first of its kind in Missouri. The Seed Library works very simply; patrons come into the library, check out seeds, grow their crop, and at the end of the growing season they harvest and return seeds for the coming year. In 2013, the Hermann Seed Library checked out 175 heirloom seed packets to 35 home gardeners. This year, the library already has 99 packets of various vegetable seed (some flowers) available for check out. For more information, call Brittany or Sheri at 573-486-2024 or visit the Hermann branch.



Hermann Branch seed library.



A Scenic Regional Library patron grew these enormous sunflowers with seeds "borrowed" from the Hermann Branch's Seed Library.

New Features on the Missouri Evergreen Catalog

In response to patron requests, the library staff has recently added two new features to the Missouri Evergreen catalog: "New Titles" list and "Suggest a Purchase" online form. Similar options were available on the library's old system. The "New Titles" list provides all the books added to our collection in the past six months with the most recently added titles listed first.



Knitting and Crocheting Groups Meet at the Library

Library patrons in Owensville and Union come together once a month to knit and crochet. People who enjoy doing crafts know that crafting is a relaxing pastime. Our patrons bring their yarn, needles, and hooks and enjoy quiet conversation and music as they work on their projects and help each other decipher difficult patterns or learn new stitches. Both groups are free and open to the public. The Knitting Circle meets at the Owensville branch on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM. The Chain Gang crochet group meets at the Union branch on the first Friday of each month from 6:00 to 7:30 PM.



The Owensville Branch Knitting Circle met on February 5 to work on their projects.



Historian and author Sue Blesi visited the Pacific Branch on February 19 to talk about the botched Farmers and Merchants bank robbery of 1921 by the Feather Edge Gang of St. Louis.



Max and his owner, Amy Cronin, visit the Pacific Branch once a month for storytime.



On February 18, Union staff member Lauren Young helped Cub Scouts earn their Reading and Writing Belt Loop and Pin.



Young library patrons admire the artwork on display at the Union Branch from Clearview Elementary School.

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

