Message from the Director
When I was a child and didn’t understand my homework, I asked my parents for help. My mother had been an elementary school teacher, so I had a bit of an advantage. Most parents can help their children with their homework when it involves basic math, science, and social studies. However, as their children get older and begin taking subjects like pre-algebra, geometry, or biology, the homework begins to get a lot more difficult for someone who hasn’t been in school for a while. Where can a student go to get help with their homework? The library provides anyone with a library card an amazing service: Tutor.com’s Live Homework Help.

How does it work? The student visits www.tutor.com/srl on the Web and creates a free account—they only need to create an account once. Once they log-in, Live Homework Help provides them with a professionally-trained tutor to help them one-on-one with their math, science, English and social studies homework. Tutors can help students in kindergarten through 12th grade. The student and tutor communicate in a virtual classroom via IM (instant messenger). Live Homework Help also uses two-way white boards which are especially helpful for math and science problems. It allows them to actually work-out equations on the screen. Students can use Live Homework Help every day between 2pm and midnight at home for free. If they don’t have access to a computer or the Internet at home, they can still use Live Homework Help from computers inside any of our seven branch libraries.

Live Homework Help has more than 2,000 tutors who work from their home or office throughout North America. They’re certified teachers, college professors, and professional tutors, all with proven experience in the subjects they tutor. It’s understandable that parents may be concerned about their child interacting with an adult stranger online. However, all the tutors have passed background checks and comply with the Children’s Online Protection Act and Children’s Internet Protection Act. Through Live Homework Help, the tutor can only see the grade level, subject and student’s question; the student can see the tutor’s first name and last initial. Tutors are not allowed to share personal or identifying information. Parents should encourage their children to take advantage of this great resource the next time they need help with their homework.
State Grant Provides Bookmobile with Satellite Internet

The Scenic Regional Library received a grant through the Missouri State Library for a satellite which will provide its bookmobile with commercial-grade Internet access.

The satellite will provide the same type of commercial-grade Internet access that many police and ambulance districts use. The improvement will solve a problem that has frustrated the library for years: when the bookmobile visited certain rural areas, it was unable to maintain a wireless Internet connection. As a result, the library’s computer system couldn’t be used to check materials in or out, or to place requests. The bookmobile staff had to use a backup check-out system that required them to check everything in or out again once they arrived back at the library.

Satellite Internet provides access anywhere someone can “see the sky,” therefore allow staff to access the library’s online system wherever it is stopped. With the satellite providing access to the library’s online catalog, staff can also tell patrons whether or not the library owns a particular item they may want to request.

The library will pay a monthly fee for satellite Internet access; however, 50% of the annual cost will be subsidized through the federal government’s e-rate program for schools and libraries. The satellite was installed on April 2 and began service on April 16.

Bookmobile service in this area has been around longer than Scenic Regional Library. The Missouri State Library ran a demonstration library in Franklin County in 1957 that provided bookmobile service to rural communities.

Volunteer Spotlight

Elizabeth Westhoff has volunteered the past two summers at the Scenic Regional Library. Last summer, she was the llama from Llama Llama Red Pajama by Anna Dewdney. This summer, she visited storytimes at six branches dressed as Clifford from Clifford the Big Red Dog by Norman Bridwell. Thank you, Elizabeth! We appreciate you!

Volunteering at the library is a great way to give back to your community. It can also look great on a college application or resume. Would you like to volunteer at the library? Contact your local branch for an application or more information.

The bookmobile carries approximately 2,200 books, audiobooks, DVDs, and other items. The bookmobile collection is rotated regularly to assure that patrons are seeing different titles each month. However, patrons aren’t limited to the browsing collection. Library patrons can also place requests, pick up reserved items, and return items on the bookmobile. The bookmobile makes many community stops each month, in addition to visiting daycares, preschools, and elementary schools throughout the district.

The bookmobile is a way for the library to provide service to communities which are too small to have a branch. It also provides service to daycares, preschools, assisted living centers, nursing homes, and other places that don’t have transportation to bring their students or residents to the library.

Visit tinyurl.com/bookmobilestops to view a list of the communities the Scenic Regional Library bookmobile visits each month or tinyurl.com/bookmobilecalendar for the bookmobile’s entire monthly schedule. Organizations that would like to be added to the bookmobile schedule can contact Bookmobile Branch Manager Connie Vest at 636-583-0652.

The bookmobile satellite was installed earlier this year in St. Clair.

Branch manager Kate Haynes reads to children at the New Haven branch’s storytime.

Connie Vest, Bookmobile Branch Manager
**UNION**

**KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS**

**Pre-School Storytimes**

Wednesdays & Saturdays 10 AM

**ADULT PROGRAMS**

**Artisan Cheesemaking 101**

September 4 at 6 PM

Learn how to make fresh cheese. Artisan cheesemaker and author Janet Hurst will be giving cheese making lessons for those interested in making homemade cheese. She will be making Kochkase, a cheese from this region, and will be providing samples of the finished product. Call to sign up.

**Learn to Crochet**

September 10 at 6 PM

Diane Disbro will be instructing a beginners crocheting class. Learn three basic stitches: chain, single crochet, and double crochet. Please bring a size G crochet hook and a skein of light-colored worsted weight yarn. Class size is limited. Sign up to attend.

**Novel Ideas at the Library**

September 12 at 7 PM

Join The Missourian’s Chris Stuckenschneider to learn about books to be released this fall. Call to register!

**Jasper Fforde – Author Talk and Book Signing**

September 18 at 7 PM

In the meeting room of the Washington Public Library, 410 Lafayette Street

Jasper Fforde is the author of the popular *Tuesday Next* series for adults and *The Last Dragonslayer* series for young adults. Books will be available for purchase. Fforde, a British writer, is currently in the U.S.A. on a book tour. This program is sponsored by Scenic Regional Library and the Washington Public Library.

**Banned and Challenged Book Club**

September 19 at 7 PM

*The Color Purple* by Alice Walker will be discussed. The club is free and open to the public.

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**WARREN COUNTY (WARRENTON)**

**KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS**

**Pre-School Storytimes**

Tuesdays at 10 AM

September’s theme is Building Block Books—*It’s A Tiger!, Oh No, George!, Cat Secrets, The Duckling Gets a Cookie!?*

**ADULT PROGRAMS**

**Trigger Point Massage Class**

September 3 from 6-7:30 PM

Hawk Ridge Chiropractic will discuss spine disorders and preventive care. Massages will be included in the evening event!

**Cardio Dance Fit**

September 10 from 6:30-7:30 PM

RaShawn Mickens from Luminesce Wellness Spa will teach Cardio Dance Fit. Learn the newest moves and have fun doing it!

**Book Club**

September 18 at 2 PM

*Half Broke Horses* by Jeannette Walls

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**HERMANN**

**KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS**

**Pre-School Story Hour**

Thursdays at 10 AM

Building Block Award season is here! Join us at Story Hour each week as we read at least one picture book nominated for the 2013 Building Block Award. Once we’ve read all 10 nominees, story hour participants will vote for their favorite.

**Teen Scene: Fun and Games**

September 18 from 3-4:30 PM

It’s an afternoon of fun and games for teens and mid-schoolers! Play Wii, life-size Jenga, and continue preserving school year memories in your SMASH book.

**ADULT PROGRAMS**

**Tomato Fest @ the Hermann Library!**

September 5 at 3 PM

If you have delicious tomatoes that you’ve grown in your garden, come show them off at the library. We will be showcasing and tasting the great produce grown locally and crowning a best-in-show winner. Join us and cast your vote!

**Colorful Brushes Young-at-Art Student Exhibition and Reception**

September 13 from 6-8 PM

Please join us for the 25th Annual *Young-at-Art* Reception showcasing the work of 17 artists from Catherine A. Mahoney’s summer class. The show draws on talent from the Hermann, Montgomery City, Warrenton, Pacific, and Morrison areas. See you there!
Upcoming Events

NEW HAVEN
KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS
Pre-School Storytimes
Tuesdays at 10 AM
In September, we will feature Missouri Building Block Award books. These great new titles are chosen by librarians especially for early learning fun.

ADULT PROGRAMS
Missouri Wildlife Update
September 19 from 6-7 PM at Old New Haven School, 810 Maupin Street
Missouri Master Naturalists will discuss species like black bears, armadillos, and mountain lions. Learn how to become a Master Naturalist. To register, call 573-237-2189.

Book Club
September 25 at 5 PM
Sing You Home by Jodi Picoult

OWENSVILLE
KIDS & TEEN PROGRAMS
Pre-School Storytimes
Thursdays at 11 AM

ADULT PROGRAMS
Knitting Circle
September 4 at 6:30 PM

Movie Night
September 6 at 7 PM
42 – The Story of Jackie Robinson

Live Folk Music
September 17 from 2-3 PM
For your listening pleasure!

Book Club
September 18 at 6:30 PM
The Light Between Oceans by M. L. Stedman

Beekeeping
September 25 at 6:30 PM
Presented by Rodney Angell, president of the local beekeeping club.

Events

PACIFIC
KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS
Pre-School Storytimes
Thursdays at 10 AM
This month’s theme is animals.

Teddy Bear School
September 7 from 11 AM-12 PM
Bring your favorite teddy bear or stuffed animal to our special Storytime and receive a bag of school goodies. Very special activities planned.

Reading with Max (from Therapy Dogs, Inc.)
September 14 from 11 AM-12 PM
Max is back for another hour of reading fun.

Teen Book Club Meeting
September 25 from 4:15-5 PM
Read any book by James Patterson. Please call 636-257-2712 or visit the library to sign up.

ADULT PROGRAMS (18+)
Beekeeping with Calvin Brandt
September 4 from 6:00-7:00 PM
Calvin Brandt of the Missouri Valley Beekeeping Association will be showing attendees the ins and outs of beekeeping as well as answering any questions. Registration is required. Please call 636-257-2712 or visit the library to sign up.

All About Facebook
September 18 from 6-7 PM
Natalie LaPlante will be giving a class on learning the basics of Facebook, such as setting up accounts and finding friends. Registration is required. Please call 636-257-2712 or visit the library to sign up.

BOOK CLUB MEETING
September 25 from 6:30-7:30 PM
We will be discussing the book Here on Earth by Alice Hoffman. Registration is required. Please call 636-257-2712 or visit the library to sign up.

ST. CLAIR
KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS
Pre-School Storytime
Thursdays from 10 AM to 12 PM
Pete the Cat will be with us all month and we will be reading the Missouri Building Block Book nominees and voting on our favorite.

Miss Mindy will be visiting 4 day care centers in the St. Clair area.

ADULT PROGRAMS
Crochet Workshop
September 17 from 1-2 PM
Instruction from Ann Wideman.

Drawing Workshop for Beginners
September 25 from 5-6:30 PM
Instruction from Janie Moore.

Adult Book Club
September 26 from 2-3 PM
Laura Hill will be leading the discussion of The Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver.
If you just finished a book you absolutely loved, you can enter it into the search bar and NoveList will recommend similar books to you.

When you're trying to figure out what to read next, the front desk should be your first stop, but let's face it: the front desk isn't always open, and you're not always at the library. In those situations, you can count on NoveList to give you reliable recommendations. NoveList is a free database available to Scenic Regional Library patrons with a valid library card. If you just finished a book you absolutely loved, you can enter it into the search bar and NoveList will recommend similar books to you. Likewise, you can enter a favorite author and it will provide a list of authors with similar writing styles or subject matter.

In the advanced search function, patrons can enter subjects they are interested in (love stories, young women, United States) and find books written about those topics. For those stuck in the middle of a series and unsure what book comes next, there is also a “Series” section with complete lists of series titles in the order they should be read. If a user is interested in finding titles within a specific genre, they can click on the genre and even subgenre under the “Recommended Reads Lists” section and find lists of books. While these are the most commonly used functions, teachers may also benefit from using NoveList in their classrooms. Under the “More” section, users can find lists of award-winning books, book discussion guides, and articles. To access NoveList, visit www.scenicregional.org/databases, click on NoveList, and enter your library card number. Happy reading!

Six original Albert W. Miller paintings were donated to Hermann branch in May. The donation was made by Sidney Miller, the artist’s wife. A reception to dedicate the paintings was held on June 9 at the Hermann branch.

Albert Wilton “Al” Miller (1917-2009) was born in Ozark, Missouri, and grew up in Indiana. He graduated from the Herron School of Art & Design at Indiana University and studied in Europe in the early 1950s. After completing graduate work at the University of Illinois, he served as a visiting professor at the Cincinnati Academy of Art and ran an art school in the late 1950s. In the 1960s Miller formed Motivation Dynamics, an advertising and public relations firm in Chicago. He worked exclusively as a freelance artist after 1969. During his career, which spanned more than five decades, Miller designed more than a dozen homes and buildings, including his home in Hermann, Missouri.

Former New Haven branch manager Judy Brock retired on August 9. A retirement reception was held at the New Haven branch on August 4. Ms. Brock was branch manager from 1989 until 2003 and 2007 until 2012. For the past several months she had worked at the Union branch.

Judy Brock at her retirement reception on August 4 at the New Haven branch.

Youth Services Librarian Christy Schink presents Judy Brock with her retirement gift from the library.
Mary Ann won a Kindle Paperwhite e-reader by participating in the library’s 2013 Adult Summer Reading Program at the Warrenton branch.

Kristy won a Kindle Paperwhite e-reader by participating in the library’s 2013 Adult Summer Reading Program at the Union branch.

Michelle won a Kindle Paperwhite e-reader by participating in the library’s 2013 Adult Summer Reading Program at the New Haven branch.

**Locations & Hours**

**Owensville Branch (OW)**
107 North First Street  
Owensville, Missouri 65066  
Phone: 636-437-2188

- Mon: Closed  
- Tues, Thurs, & Fri: 9 am - 6 pm  
- Wed: 9 am - 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

**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

**Warren County Branch (WR)**
912 South Hwy 47  
Warrenton, Missouri 63383  
Phone: 636-456-3321

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

**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

**Union Branch (UN)**
308 Hawthorne Drive  
Union, Missouri 63084  
Phone: 636-583-3224

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

**Administrative Office (ADMIN)**
308 Hawthorne Drive  
Union, Missouri 63084  
Phone: 636-583-0652

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