



THE

Scenic Regional Library NEWSLETTER

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A monthly publication from your local library!

LIBRARY HOURS

Hermann branch

M, W & F 9am-6pm
T & Th 9am-8pm
Sat 9am-5pm

New Haven branch

M, W & F 9am-6pm
T & Th 9am-8pm
Sat 9am-5pm

Owensville branch

M, W & F 9am-6pm
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Sat 9am-5pm

Pacific branch

M, T & Th 9am-8pm
W & F 9am-6pm
Sat 9am-5pm

St. Clair branch

M, T & Th 9am-8pm
W & F 9am-6pm
Sat 9am-5pm

Sullivan branch

M, W, F 9am-6pm
T & Th 9am-8pm
Sat 9am-5pm

Union branch

M-Th 9am-8pm
F 9am-6pm
Sat 9am-5pm

Warren County branch

M-Th 9am-8pm
Fri 9am-6pm
Sat 9am-5pm



**Scenic Regional Library
branches will be closed
November 24-25 to celebrate
the Thanksgiving holiday.**

What is “Weeding”? Why do Libraries Weed?

When most people hear the term “weeding”, they think of gardening—pulling wild or unwanted plants from an area. However, the term is also used in the library world to describe removing books or other items from the collection. For some people, the thought of getting rid of books is painful: “You’re throwing away books?!” However, weeding is a necessary part of managing a library’s collection.

No matter how large a library building, it certainly can’t keep adding new items without ever removing anything. They would need to expand their building every year to accommodate all the new, additional materials. Most libraries attempt to remove as many items as they add to the collection each month or year. If a library buys and adds a few hundred new items in a given month, they weed an equal number of items. Otherwise, shelves fill up and get crowded quickly. Weeding is a way for libraries to offer their patrons a collection that emphasizes quality over quantity.

Most public libraries use the same basic guidelines for weeding their collections. Libraries weed books that haven’t been checked out in three years or longer. Three years is a long time for a book to sit, unused, on a shelf. In many cases, it’s a book that has already been checked out twenty or thirty times, but no one wants to read it any longer. Public libraries strive to offer books and other items that people want. If no one wants to check out a book any longer, the library can weed the book and use the space for something newer and more popular.

Libraries also weed books that are out-of-date. For example, they don’t want an astronomy book in the library that still says that Pluto is a planet! It doesn’t take

long for information to change. And finally, if a book or item is badly worn-out, the library removes it from the collection.

Whether or not some people still consider a particular book usable, library research has shown that most people don’t check out books that are shabby or tattered.

The good news is that research has shown that when libraries weed, usage for the collection increases, even if there are fewer overall items. There’s less clutter and people can more easily find what they’re looking for.

Many times, the library will remove an older book on a subject and replace it with a newer, more up-to-date book. The library will also weed a copy of a classic, like Tom Sawyer or Of Mice and Men, that may not have checked out in a few years, but replace it with a new copy that will be checked out more often.

Weeding is a never-ending process. Libraries have weeding schedules, like Scenic Regional, meaning that they weed a different section of their collection each month so that each year the entire collection is reviewed and the necessary items weeded. Certain sections of a library’s collection, such as large print fiction and DVDs, rarely have items weeded due to a lack of usage.

What does the library do when it weeds a book or other item? The library attempts to sell every weeded item at its spring or fall book sales. If the item doesn’t sell, it’s offered to local organizations. If they don’t want the items, which is usually the case, they’re recycled.





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Library Closed November 18th for Staff Development Day

**Scenic Regional
Library will be closed
on Friday, November 18
for its second annual
staff development day.**

All seventy of the library's full- and part-time staff will attend the event, which will be held at East Central College and feature guest speakers and team-building activities.



Seeking Part-time Adult Education Instructor for Owensville

East Central College is seeking a part-time Adult Education instructor in Owensville. The sessions are held at the First Baptist Church on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:00pm to 8:00pm. Candidates must have a bachelor's degree in any field, strong math skills, and be able to relate to adults (17 years and older). The position averages 6.5-10 hours per week and pays \$14.50 per hour.

For more information, contact Alice Whalen, East Central College's Adult Education & Literacy Director at (636) 584-6532 or Alice.Whalen@eastcentral.edu.



Library Building Project Update

The library is entering the final stages of the design portion of its building project. Once the design phase is complete, construction bids will go out to general contractors in January 2017. An official groundbreaking ceremony will be held at each site in late February or early March.

Originally, the library planned to complete the building project over a two-year period. However, with construction costs rising rapidly each year, the plan was revised. Construction on all seven projects will begin in late-March or early-April 2017 and be completed by the end of the year.

The library will build new facilities in Pacific, Sullivan, New Haven, Wright City, and Owensville. The existing St. Clair and Warrenton facilities will be expanded. The chart below shows the increased size of each branch:

Branch	Size of the Current Branch	Size of the New Branch
St. Clair	4,500 square feet	9,100 square feet
Warrenton	9,000 square feet	12,000 square feet
Pacific	4,500 square feet	10,000 square feet
Sullivan	3,000 square feet	10,000 square feet
New Haven	1,500 square feet	5,000 square feet
Wright City	No branch	7,700 square feet
Owensville	2,500 square feet	6,800 square feet

By the end of this year, all the design plans and exterior drawings will be available on the library's website.

Each facility will have a meeting room equal to approximately 12% of the branch's total square footage. For example, the 10,000 square foot Pacific branch will have a 1,200 square foot meeting room. The space will be used for library programming, as well as be available to be reserved by community groups as a meeting room. Most of the meeting rooms also will have a moveable wall that will allow them to be divided into two separate meeting spaces. They will feature digital projectors, a flat-screen TV, sound system, marker board, and other technology. The building designs will allow the meeting rooms and adjoining restrooms to be accessible by groups when the library is closed. The meeting rooms also will have ample storage which will allow the branches to each have their spring and fall book sales on site in the future.

All the new branches will have dedicated adult, teen, and children's areas. Each facility will feature a cozy electric fireplace in the main adult seating area. The new libraries will each have two small study rooms which can be used for interviews, attorney depositions, one-on-one tutoring, small student study groups, and other meetings involving only two or three people.

All the new facilities will have ample on-site parking and a drive-up book drop that will empty into the building. This will allow people who have small children or difficulty walking the ability to return their library materials without leaving their vehicle.

Each new branch will have an adult and children's outdoor patios. The patios will have seating, including café-style tables, a shade cover, and short fence enclosing the area. The children's patios will be used for some children's activities, such as messy crafts and storytime during nice weather.

The library will have to close the existing St. Clair branch and move to a yet-to-be-determined temporary location during construction (expansion of the existing facility) due to liability concerns. The library will use the temporary facility from March 2017 until construction is complete.

The library is continuing to work on their plans for the Union and Hermann branches, which will most likely be announced to the public in spring 2017.

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Library Card Sign-Up Month A Big Success

September was National Library Card Sign-Up Month. Systemwide, branch staff registered 755 new patrons for library cards during the month. They visited schools, worked booths at festivals and other local events, and some even set up tables in front of grocery stores throughout the month to recruit new cardholders.

The library's Owensville branch staff won a free pizza lunch for registering the most new patrons (per capita) during September.



Everyone who registered for a library card in September at the St. Clair branch was entered into a drawing for a library gift basket! Lizzie Clark of St. Clair was the lucky winner!



Ms. Laura from the Warren County branch visited the Wright City East Elementary School. She talked to the students about What a Library Card Can Do for You!

Library Announces Move from Overdrive to Cloud Library for E-books, E-audiobooks

After nearly a decade, the library will be moving from Overdrive to Cloud Library for its e-books and e-audiobooks on December 5, 2016. The move was made primarily because Cloud Library offers an easier-to-use app and platform. For example, patrons can use their library card number and pin number as the log-in for both the library's online catalog and Cloud Library; Overdrive requires two sets of log-ins. Cloud Library also offers a less-expensive annual platform fee, about one-third the cost of Overdrive.

All of the e-books and e-audiobooks the library currently owns and offers through Overdrive will be moved to Cloud Library and still available to patrons for checkout. Cloud Library does not support traditional

Kindles, such as the Paperwhite; however, it can be used with Kindle Fires released after 2011. The library's usage statistics for Overdrive showed that very few patrons were still using a traditional Kindle to read library e-books—less than 3%. The three most popular devices are iPads, iPhones, and the Kindle Fire.

Step-by-step help guides for using the Cloud Library will be available on the library's website and in the branches. The library will also be offering free classes for the public on using Cloud Library in December and January throughout the system.



Library Telescopes Seeing Heavy Usage in First Month

On September 1, the library began offering 4.5mm Orion AstroBlast Reflector Telescopes available for checkout through a partnership with the St. Louis Astronomical Society and Eastern Missouri Dark Sky Observers. In the program's first month, the library's nine telescopes checked out 32 times. In addition, there are 59 people on the waiting list.

Currently, the telescopes can be checked out at the library's Pacific, St. Clair, Sullivan, and Union branches. If the program continues to be successful, the library plans to offer telescopes at other branches beginning in March 2017. To be placed on the waiting list for a telescope, please call your local branch.



(Above) Patrons at Sullivan and St. Clair using the telescopes available for checkout. Sign up for one today!

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Pete the Cat made a trip to Clearview Elementary in our Bookmobile to visit our Summer Reading Program winner! We had a groovy time and sang songs about Pete.



The Pacific branch Kid's Club learned all about fire safety during Fire Prevention Week! Local fire fighters came to the branch and talked to the patrons, showed them their gear they wear to fight fires, and gave tours of a fire engine.



It was a spooky night at a spooky place with a ghost hunter! The Sullivan branch hosted Dan Terry at The Harney Mansion for his program about his supernatural experiences and pursuing the paranormal.

Library Adds OneClickDigital; Access to Over 6,500 eAudiobooks

Scenic Regional launched Recorded Books' OneClickDigital in August. The digital collection provides simultaneous access to more than 5,000 adult e-audiobooks titles and 1,500 children and young adult e-audiobook titles. Simultaneous access means that an unlimited number of people can check out an e-audiobook at the same time. As a result, patrons will never have to place a request and wait for OneClickDigital e-audiobook titles. 50 new titles are added to the OneClickDigital collection each quarter. The titles include those by popular authors like Charlaine Harris, Jodi Picoult, Cormac McCarthy, John Sanford, and Alexander McCall Smith. OneClickDigital uses the same platform (webpage or software) as Zinio, which is the library's access to downloadable e-magazines.



TumbleBook E-books for Kids Now Available

The basic TumbleBook Library Deluxe subscription provides a collection of 550 animated, talking picture books for children in preschool through grade 3. Access to the resource is available in the library or online from home. The books are streamed through the library's website, not downloaded. Audio can be turned on or off so that children can practice reading, and the books are accompanied by educational games, puzzles and songs. Part of the collection is in Spanish and French. TumbleBook Library expands the statewide Racing to Read early literacy initiative launched in March 2014 to help ensure children are ready to read when they begin school.



Sullivan and Warrenton Branches Offer Novel Writing Workshops

The Sullivan and Warrenton branches will be hosting events to help aspiring novelists in November. Kim Wuertz will be leading these workshops. She is a published author, illustrator, and editor, and has been leading writing workshops for years. During these hands-on workshops, attendees will learn how to create a process for their writing, which will include idea and character development. They will also learn more about how to edit their work to clarify a story. Participants will be encouraged to bring their ideas and any works-in-progress, and will leave with the tools they need to get their novel ready for publication.

Sullivan's workshop is on Thursday, November 10th at 6pm. Warrenton's workshop is on Tuesday, November 15th at 6pm. Each workshop will last about 90 minutes. Materials will be provided. Registration for these free workshops is required; register online or by calling the branch.



HERMANN BRANCH

International Games Day

Saturday, November 19 from 9:00 am - 5:00pm
 Stop in and pick up your passport and map of all the games in town! Complete your passport, return it to the branch and be entered into a drawing for PRIZES!

Please register for adult programs. ADULT PROGRAMS

Veteran's Day Celebration

Friday, November 11 at 4:00 pm
 An historical presentation, slide show of remembrance, and patriotic songs to honor America and our troops. Held at the Hermann VFW (108 MO-100).

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Preschool Storytime

Every Thursday at 10:00 am
 Join us for stories, rhymes, and crafts!

Magic Greg!

Saturday, November 5 at 2:00 pm
 Join us for some of the great classics of close-up parlor magic.

Kids Club

Tuesday, November 22 at 3:30 pm
 Peanut Butter Month! We'll make snacks for the critters and us - with Peanut Butter!



Owensville branch's Halloween themed storytime was a lot of fun! Children played "Pass the Pumpkin" and made a craft to take home.

NEW HAVEN BRANCH

International Games Day

Saturday, November 19 from 9:00 am - 5:00pm
 We will have GO, Jenga with paperbacks, dominoes, and other games. Bring the family!

Please register for adult programs. ADULT PROGRAMS

Book Club at the Branch

Wednesday, November 16 at 5:00 pm
 Join us for a discussion of "Orphan Train" by Christina Baker Kline. Stop by and check out a copy today.

Healthy Days and Restful Nights

Thursday, November 17 at 6:30 pm
 Learn more uses of essential oils from Lori Bourgeois RN.

La Leche League of Franklin County

Saturday, November 19 at 10:30 am
 Its purpose is to support nursing moms. The group will meet the 3rd Saturday of each month.
(Registration is not required.)

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Pre-School Storytime

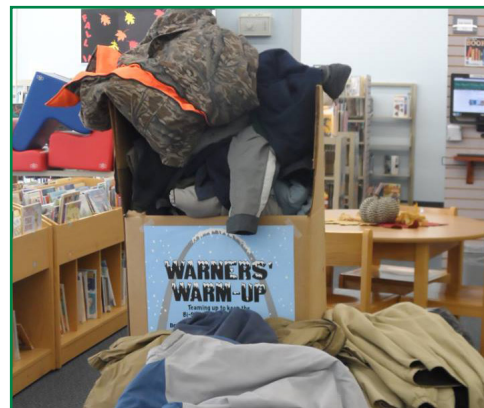
Each Tuesday at 10:00 am & Saturday, November 19 at 10:00 am
 Up to Kindergarten age. Enjoy new Missouri Building Block books, fall stories, songs, finger plays, crafts and fun.

Read, Build & Play (Ages 4-12)

Saturday, November 19 at 11:00 am
 Take the Lego challenge or try Marble Run.

Teen Book Club

Meets the 1st Saturday each month.
 Saturday, November 5 at 1:00 pm
 Join us for a discussion of "Nil" by Lynne Matson. Watch Facebook for future titles!



Once again, the Pacific branch is participating in the Kurt Warner's Winter Warm-Up Coat Drive. The Pacific branch will be a drop off point for new or gently used coats. All coats will be distributed locally. Coats can be dropped off from now until November 14th.



Several patrons display their emoji plushies they created at the Union branch. The teens had a great time putting together their own original emoji. There were lots of laughs and crafting skills tested at this fun event!



The Friends of the Library - New Haven branch participated in the Balloon Launch Parade in New Haven. Each member wore a banner to promote reading and learning about a historic figure or author.



november 2016 upcoming events

OWENSVILLE BRANCH

International Games Day

Saturday, November 19 from 10:00 am - 2:00pm
 Stop in and play a variety of games!

Please register for adult programs.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Journey Across Haunted America

Thursday, November 3 at 6:30 pm

Movie Night at the Library

Friday, November 4 at 7:00 pm

We will be showing *The Legend of Tarzan*.

Friends of the Library Meeting

Thursday, November 10 at 6:30 pm

Tea Time Travelers' Book Club

Wednesday, November 16 at 6:30 pm

We will discuss "The Secret to Hummingbird Cake" by Celeste Fletcher McHale.

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Lil' OWLs Storytime

Every Wednesday at 10:30 am
 Stories, songs, crafts, and fun!

Magic Greg!

Tuesday, November 1 at 6:00 pm

Join us for some of the great classics of close-up parlor magic. Program will be held at First State Community Bank, 308 W. Lincoln Ave.

Read, Build, & Play

Saturday, November 12 at 11:00 am

We will read books with a cabin theme and build with Lincoln Logs.



Scenic Regional Library had their annual BIG fall book sale at all 8 branches. The community had the opportunity to choose from thousands of adult and children's books, CDs and audiobooks!

PACIFIC BRANCH

International Games Day

Saturday, November 19 from 10:00 am - 2:00pm
 Stop in and play a variety of games!
 All ages welcome to attend.

Please register for adult programs.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Play Mahjong

Every Wednesday at 10:00 am

*No Mahjong November 23 due to proximity of Thanksgiving holiday.

Card Making:

Vintage Holiday Pop-Up Cards

Tuesday, November 8 at 6:00 pm

Introduction to Microsoft Word

Thursday, November 10 from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Limited to 6 participants!

Mike Rufkahr: Vocalist/Guitarist

Monday, November 14 at 6:30 pm

Program held at the Tri-County Senior Center (800 W. Union St.)

Talons of the Night Owl Program

Thursday, November 17 at 6:00 pm

Book Club

Tuesday, November 22 at 6:00 pm

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Storytime (Toddlers-Kindergarten)

Every Thursday at 10:00 am

November 3: Purina Farms Storytime

Kid's Club (Grades 1-5)

Every Saturday at 1:00 pm

November 5: Builders Club

November 12: Election Day Crafts

November 26: Thanksgiving Craft

Juggling Jim

Saturday, November 5 at 12:00 pm

Teen DIY: Geometric Tape Painting

Monday, November 14 at 6:00 pm

Popcorn and drinks provided!

ST. CLAIR BRANCH

International Games Day

Saturday, November 19 from 1:00 pm - 4:00pm
 Stop in and play a variety of games!

Please register for adult programs.

ADULT PROGRAMS

St. Clair Aging Resources

Tuesday, November 8 at 6:00 pm

Presented by Mary Baldwin.

Essential Oils 101: Women's Health

Tuesday, November 15 at 6:00 pm

Presented by Lori Bourgeois.

DIY: Christmas Luminaries

Monday, November 21 at 6:00 pm

All materials provided.

Limited to 10 participants.

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Storytime

Every Thursday at 11:00 am

For preschool-age children.

Read, Build & Play

Every Saturday at 11:00 am

Juggling Jeff

Saturday, November 5 at 10:00 am



A young Hermann patron poses with her Beetlejuice Fairy Garden she created. Hermann Florist presented the event at the branch.

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