Contract Signed for Building Project; Construction Begins

On August 1, Director Steve Campbell signed the contract with general contractor Wright Construction (St. Peters) for the construction of the library’s first seven building projects. Steve Hoover, architect and project manager with JEMA, and Nathan Bibb, with Wright Construction, were also present at the contract signing.

Construction began on August 22 at the New Haven and Owensville locations. Wright Construction plans to utilize many of the same subcontractors for all seven locations. As a result, the beginning of each building project will be staggered. Wright Construction plans to have the foundations and flatwork complete at all seven locations by November 1 in order to avoid having to use winter concrete. All seven facilities are expected to be complete between June and August 2018.

St. Clair Branch Receives Internet Upgrade; Owensville Upgrade Expected Soon

In early August, Internet bandwidth at the St. Clair branch was increased from 10MB to 20MB. AT&T performed the upgrades, which were coordinated by the Missouri Research and Education Network (MOREnet). MOREnet is a non-profit organization which maintains a computer network for Internet access and provides technology support to approximately 800 school districts and libraries in Missouri. Patrons visit the library to update their Smartphones, download e-books, watch videos, download music, and other tasks that consume large amounts of bandwidth. In addition, many students from the St. Clair R-XIII School District who receive

Chromebooks utilize the branch’s wireless Internet. As a result, the library’s Internet line was reaching its maximum capacity at certain points throughout each day and slowing down. The upgrade will provide enough capacity for the branch’s current Internet usage, as well as growth in the immediate future. However, the library upgrades its Internet bandwidth on a continuous basis, sometimes as often as every few years at some locations, due to growing Internet and wireless usage. The Owensville branch will also receive an increase in bandwidth from 5MB to 10MB in the near future.
The AEL program at East Central College provides classes to improve your skills in math, reading, writing, social studies and science.

All classes are free with text books and materials provided for you. Individualized instruction will help you meet your goals to pass the High School Equivalence Test (HiSET), formerly the GED, and improve your WorkKeys and college placement scores.

**Day Classes**
- Rolla
- Sullivan
- Union
- Washington

**Evening Classes**
- Cuba
- Hermann
- Owensville
- Pacific
- Rolla
- St. Clair
- Sullivan
- St. James
- Union
- Washington

**English Language Day & Evening Classes**
- Rolla
- Union

Patrons check out a fishing pole at the branch in Owensville as part of the library Rod and Reel Loaner program.

Attendees went home August 22 feeling refreshed and relaxed after using skin care products made with pure ingredients thanks to wellness educator, Cindy Trotter.

Assistant Branch manager, Stephanie Jackson, helps a patron check out some DVD selections available at the Union branch.

Everyone had a blast making these mini barn quilt plaques in Owensville August 18! Each patron was able to bring their craft home.

St. Clair Branch Book Club had a great discussion of the book Caught by Harlan Coben.

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844-322-4235 (844-ECC-4AEL)
Library Interviewed Monthly on Local Radio Stations

The library has regularly-scheduled interviews on all three local radio stations each month to discuss upcoming programs and events; building project updates; new and existing library services; and other information and happenings. Various staff from the branches and administration appears on the programs, which are each approximately 20-30 minutes in length.

On the first Wednesday of each month the library staff appears on the Diane Jones Show on KLPW 1120 AM in Union at 8:35 AM. On the third Thursday of each month the library staff is interviewed by John Rice on KTUI 1560 AM in Sullivan at 9:10 AM. On the fourth Thursday of each month the library staff appears on Livewire with Mike Thomas on KWRE 730 AM in Warrenton at 9:30 AM.

KLPW 1120 AM in Union: First Wednesdays, 8:35AM
KTUI 1560 AM in Sullivan: Third Thursdays, 9:10AM
KWRE 730 AM in Warrenton: Fourth Thursdays, 9:30AM

Library Receives Grant for New Server

On August 10, the library was awarded an LSTA Technology Mini-Grant through the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) for a new server. The Institute of Museum and Library Services allocates all funds on the federal level for libraries, including all grant funds for Missouri and other states’ public libraries.

The grant will provide $4,969 toward the cost of the server, with the library contributing $1,849 in matching funds. All LSTA grants require local matching funds, except for digitization grants.

Denise Edwards, the library’s IT Manager, submitted the successful grant application. The server is primarily utilized to store or backup all staff files systemwide, including the library’s financials. The library’s existing server was purchased in 2012 (also with an LSTA Technology Mini-Grant) and operates with Microsoft Server 2008 Professional; the new server will operate Microsoft Server 2016. The new server will also provide 6.0 terabytes (TB) of data storage compared to the 1.4 TB available on the previous server. The library has a computer replacement plan which requires the replacement of all staff and public computers after five years.

Wellness educator Cindy Trotter taught attendees how to cook with essential oils to capture the essence of your everyday herbs and spices in a more concentrated way, at the Warrenton branch on August 8.

The stars came out at storytime in Hermann after the kids read about stars and space on August 3.

Medium Annette Hatcher spoke at the Union branch on August 8. There were lots of questions and hopefully enlightened hearts and minds.
Library Serves as Drop-off Points for Countywide Food Drive

The Franklin County Homelessness Task Force is leading a countywide food drive September 15 through 30. The drive is being held to help re-stock local food pantries in Franklin County prior to the holiday season. Scenic Regional Library’s Franklin County branches in Pacific, Union, Sullivan, St. Clair, and New Haven will serve as drop-off points for people donating food items. The Washington Public Library will also serve as a drop-off point.

The Task Force has requested people to donate the following items:

- Spam
- fruit cups
- pudding
- granola/power bars
- single serving Chef Boyardee
- ravioli
- SpaghettiOs
- fruit snacks
- trail mix
- dried fruits
- peanut crackers
- Vienna Sausages
- pull-tab canned goods
- small cans or pouches of juice
- beef jerky
- water
- individual sized chips/pretzels

The Task Force, a committee of the Franklin County Service Providers, is a group of concerned citizens working together to identify the needs of homeless children and families in Franklin County, Missouri. Diane Disbro, Union branch manager, represents Scenic Regional Library at the Franklin County Service Providers meetings which are held monthly in Washington.

Adult Outreach Coordinator Named Volunteer of the Year

Laurie Osseck, the library’s Adult Outreach Coordinator, has been named the Missouri Health Care Association’s (MHCA) district 7 volunteer of the year. She was selected for her work at Frene Valley of Owensville, a senior care facility. Ms. Osseck visits and presents programs for the library at more than 30 nursing homes and assisted living facilities each month. The programs include trivia, games, and singing songs.

The MHCA’s district 7 consists of 36 facilities and 14 businesses in 16 counties. The counties include Gasconade County, Montgomery County, Osage County, Maries County, Boone County, and Callaway County. Ms. Osseck will move on to compete for the 2017 state title at the MHCA’s 69th Annual Convention in Branson, Missouri, on August 28. Even though Ms. Osseck is employed with the library, anyone providing services to the facility from an outside organization without charging is considered a volunteer. Ms. Osseck will also be presenting a program about the services she offers at the Association of Bookmobile and Outreach Services in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in October.

Purchase a “Book” for the Donor Wall in Your New Library

You can have your name, your family’s name, or your business’s name become a permanent part of the new library in your community.

The Scenic Regional Library Foundation and Friends of the Library groups will be selling donor wall “books”, which will be placed in the entrance hallway of each new facility.

The cost of a donor wall “book” is based on the size of the book:

- 8” x 1½” book – $100
- 10” x 2” book – $200
- 9” x 3” book – $300

Visit www.scenicregionalfoundation.org or pick up an order form at any branch to place your order. The Foundation accepts debit and credit cards or checks for donor wall “book” purchases.

Proceeds from the sale of the donor wall books will be used to assist the library with the purchase of furnishings, equipment, and in the new facilities. Purchases are tax deductible.
A monthly publication from your local library!

Evening Bookmobile Stops Scheduled in Marthasville and Bland

The library is now offering evening community bookmobile stops in Marthasville and Bland. The bookmobile is visiting the two communities from 3:00 to 7:00 PM once each month. The new schedule strives to accommodate families and working adults who cannot visit the bookmobile during the day. As the aforementioned stops continue to grow, it is the library’s hope to expand evening bookmobile service to other locations. Currently, the bookmobile visits 17 communities every six weeks.

In Marthasville, the bookmobile stop will be in the parking lot of Duck’s Bar and Grill, located on Highway 47. In Bland, the bookmobile will be parked on the corner of North Main and West Colorado Streets in downtown Bland.

The bookmobile offers approximately 2,500 items for children and adults, including new materials and DVDs. The bookmobile operates like a mobile branch library. Items checked out on the bookmobile can be returned to a branch—and vice versa. Requests placed online can even be picked up on the bookmobile.

Marthasville Bookmobile Schedule
Tuesdays, 3:00-7:00 PM
Parking lot of Duck’s Bar and Grill, Highway 47
August 29        January 30
September 26     February 27
October 24       March – no stop
November 28      April 24
December – no stop May 29

Bland Bookmobile Schedule
Thursdays, 3:00-7:00 PM
Corner of North Main and West Colorado Streets, downtown Bland
August 31        January 25
September 28     February 22
October 26       March – no stop
November 30      April 26
December – no stop May 31

Officer Garber read stories to the kids at storytime in St. Clair on August 19, then he got down on the floor to help with some Lego building.

On August 17 at storytime in Pacific, the kids made the Man in the Moon with balloons and watched him dance up to the ceiling and back down again!

Teens were so privileged to have the Community Art Bus come and show them how to turn old t-shirts into recycled tote bags at the Sullivan branch on August 7.

Evening Bookmobile Stops!
Scenic Regional Branches Participate in Solar Eclipse Events

Library staff participated in eclipse viewing events throughout the district. Telescopes from the library’s telescope loaner program were used for the events and several locations. The library also gave away 3,400 eclipse viewing glasses to the public throughout July.

Adam Doyle coached the Hermann Friends of the Library T-Ball team this summer.

On August 2, kids at the Warrenton branch watched the movie “Cars” sitting inside their cardboard cars for Preschool Drive-In-Movie Night. A big Thank You to Warrenton 8 Cinema for providing the popcorn.

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The library’s administrative staff watch the eclipse from the parking lot. The library administration and all branches were closed from 1:00 to 1:30 PM for staff to view the once-in-a-lifetime event.

The Hermann branch had a viewing event in their parking lot, including a telescope set-up for the public.

St. Clair branch manager Kara Bell views the eclipse. With St. Clair being located directly along the path of totality, the branch experienced large crowds around the library to view the eclipse.

The Union Friends of the Library sold water at the Union viewing event at Veteran’s Memorial Park. They asked visitors to sign their names and where they were from; people were from places as far away as Wisconsin, Los Angeles, Texas, and even Germany. The Union branch staff also set-up two telescopes at the park for the viewing event.

The New Haven branch had a telescope set-up for the public at the town’s eclipse viewing event.
September 2017 Upcoming Events

Hermann Branch

Please register for adult programs.

Adult Programs

Book Club
Every 3rd Wednesday
from 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Colorful Brushes Annual Art Reception
Friday, September 8 from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Join us for an annual celebration of local artists taught by Catherine Mahoney.

Meet the Author:
Adventures in Self-Publishing
Tuesday, September 12 at 6:00 pm

Kid & Teen Programs

Preschool Storytime
Every Thursday at 10:00 am

S.T.E.A.M. Time Storytime
Thursday, September 7 at 10:00 am

Forensics 101 w/Chief Walker
Wednesday, September 13 at 3:30 pm
Learn science & mystery behind forensics.

Kids Club: Welcome Back to School!
Thursday, September 14 at 3:30 pm
Learn to make your own snacks.

New Haven Branch

Please register for adult programs.

Adult Programs

Great Horned Owls: Hunting & Feeding
Tuesday, September 5 at 6:30 pm
Program will be held at the Old New Haven School. Presentation by award-winning naturalist Mark Glenshaw who has closely observed and documented the lives of great horned owls in Forest Park in St Louis. He will share photos and videos of his experiences with the owls.

Looking Back on Missouri Dance Halls
Tuesday, September 19 at 6:30 pm
Program will be held at the Old New Haven School. Author Ken Johnson will talk about local bands and orchestras from the 1940’s and 1950’s as well as share details about his book Moonlight Serenade to City Lights. He will have music and invite audience participation.

Book Club at the Branch
Wednesday, September 27 at 5:00 pm
Join us for a discussion of The Alchemist by Paulo Coelho.

Kid & Teen Programs

Pre-School Storytime
Each Tuesday at 10:00 am & Saturday, September 16 at 10:00 am
Up to Kindergarten age.
Preschool appropriate stories, songs, rhymes, crafts, & fun!

Read, Build & Play (Ages 4-12)
Saturday, September 16 at 1:00 pm
Use your imagination to build, play, and learn about a variety of fun topics.

Giant Yard Games (K-5th Grade)
Saturday, September 30 at 2:00 pm
Outdoor fun at the branch! Play games, win prizes!

Sullivan branch provided crafts and games for over 400 people at the Downtown Sullivan Block Party and Movie Night on August 19.

The St. Clair High School teachers’ scavenger hunt was on August 15, and the St. Clair branch of the Scenic Regional Library was the final stop!

The Build a Better World Summer Reading Program is over. Here is one of the prize winners at the Union branch in front of flowers made of the handprints of all the kids who completed.
september 2017 upcoming events

OWENSVILLE BRANCH

Please register for adult programs.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Job Search, Part 1: Resume Preparation Workshop
Thursday, September 7 at 6:30 pm

Tea Time Traveler’s Book Club
Wednesday, September 20 at 6:30 pm
We will be discussing A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles.

I Dream of Genie-ology Club
Tuesday, September 26 at 6:30 pm
Join us as we search for dead people!

Job Search, Part 2: Interview Preparation Workshop
Thursday, September 28 at 6:30 pm

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Lil’ OWLs Storytime
Every Wednesday at 10:30 am
Stories, songs, crafts, and FUN!

Read, Build, & Play
Saturday, September 9 at 11:00 am

Plant a Candy Terrarium
Thursday, September 14 at 6:00 pm
Sugar Momma’s from Hermann will help us build an edible landscape!

**No Movie Night at the Library in September. We will resume in October.

PACIFIC BRANCH

Please register for adult programs.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Play Mahjong
Every Wednesday at 10:00 am

Card Making: Shaker Cards
Tuesday, September 12 at 6:00 pm
Anna Griffin supplies. 20 participant limit.

Asta A Cappella
Monday, September 18 at 6:00 pm
To be held at Tri-County Senior Center. Competition-winning a cappella group from SLU.

Tainted Legacy: the Story of Bertha Gifford
Monday, September 25 at 6:00 pm
To be held at Tri-County Senior Center. Meet and Greet the Great-granddaughter of Bertha Gifford.

Book Club
Tuesday, September 26 at 6:00 pm
We will be discussing Traitor’s Wife by Allison Pataki.

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Storytime (Toddlers-Kindergarten)
Every Thursday at 11:00 am
For preschool-age children.

Read, Build & Play
Every Saturday at 11:00 am
We will read some books and have play time after.

Homeschool Group
1st and 3rd Wednesday each month
September 6: Solving a Rubik’s Cube
September 20: Big Games

ST. CLAIR BRANCH

Please register for adult programs.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Book Club
Thursday, September 28 at 2:00 pm
We will discuss Out Foxed by David Rosenfelt.

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Weaving 101 - Teens
Saturday, September 2 at 2:00 pm
Make a piece of art weaving yarn, let your imagination run wild.

Special Storytime with Twins!
Thursday, September 14 at 11:00 am
Storyteller Melissa and her identical twin sister Amanda will read books all about being twins.

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They had a rootin’ tootin’ good time at Gasconade manor in Owensville on August 18! A couple of the residents had to be handcuffed because they were too rowdy!! It was “Western Day” so all the cowboys & cowgirls enjoyed some western stories.

Please register for family programs.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

Author Palooza!
Saturday, September 16 from 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
Meet three local authors: Robert Treskillard, Nancy Dailey, and Alyssa Chandler.

The kids at storytime in New Haven on August 15 made the moon phases out of Oreos.

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Please register for adult programs.

**ADULT PROGRAMS**

**“As the Page Turns” Book Club**
*Thursday, September 14 at 5:30 pm*
We will discuss the book *Wild* by Cheryl Strayed.

**The Eccentric Millionaire**
*Tuesday, September 19 at 6:00 pm*
“Doc” Sayman was a colorful character who hawked his patent wares at tent medicine shows and had connections to Sullivan.

**Tainted Legacy: the Story of Bertha Gifford**
*Tuesday, September 26 at 6:00 pm*
Bertha Gifford’s great granddaughter will be at the library to talk about her book, *Tainted Legacy*.

Please register for computer programs.

**COMPUTER PROGRAMS**

**Introduction to Microsoft Excel**
*Thursday, September 14 from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm*
Learn to perform basic functions.

**Inserting Pictures & Clipart into Microsoft Word Documents**
*Wednesday, September 27 at 10:00 am*

Please register for family programs.

**FAMILY PROGRAMS**

**Family Reading Night with Clifford the Big Red Dog**
*Friday, September 29 at 5:00 pm*

**Family Reading Night Camp Out**
*Friday, August 25 at 5:00 pm*
Bring your sleeping bags and come join us for a camp out in the library and a night of reading!

**SULLIVAN BRANCH**

**UNION BRANCH**

Please register for adult programs.

**ADULT PROGRAMS**

**Jessie Tarbox Beals & the 1904 World’s Fair**
*Tuesday, September 12 at 6:00 pm*
This portrayal of Beals, the first woman photojournalist, considers her professional and personal life in an era when men dominated the profession.

**Hooked on Books Book Club**
*Thursday, September 21 at 6:00 pm*
We will be discussing *I Love You, Miss Huddleston* by Philip Guily.

**Meet the Author**
*Tuesday, September 26 at 6:00 pm*
Jan Olearnick, author of *Louisa ‘Moo’ Alcott* shares her self-publishing experience.

**Book Bingo**
*Thursday, September 28 at 11:00 am*
Winners take home a free book!

Please register for computer programs.

**COMPUTER PROGRAMS**

**Preschool Storytime**
*Wednesdays & Saturdays at 10:00 am*
Stories, songs, and crafts for our youngest patrons!

**Kindness Rocks!**
*Saturday, September 16 at 1:00 pm*
Design or leave a message on rocks for a stranger to find!

**Check Out Big Machines**
*Saturday, September 23 from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm*
Join us at the ECC lower parking lot to see BIG machines.

**KID & TEEN PROGRAMS**

Please register for family programs.

**FAMILY PROGRAMS**

**Storytime (preschool-age children)**
*Every Tuesday at 10:00 am*

**Bedtime Storytime**
*Thursday, September 7 at 6:00 pm*
Come join us for a special evening storytime in your PJs!

**Teen Time DIY: Terrarium**
*Monday, September 11 at 4:00 pm*

**Kids Club: Pirate Parrtty**
*Monday, September 18 at 3:30 pm*

**S.T.E.A.M. Science Club**
*Saturday, September 23 at 2:00 pm*

Please register for computer programs.

**COMPUTER PROGRAMS**

**Lost Treasures of St. Louis**
*Tuesday, September 19 at 6:00 pm*
Take a trip down memory lane with local author and blogger, Cameron Collins. This presentation will feature nostalgic images and also reveal how the past has shaped our city.

**Wild West Murder Mystery Show**
*Tuesday, September 26 at 6:00 pm*
This event is OFF-SITE at Oliver’s Restaurant & Banquet Center. Space is limited to 72 participants.

**Book Club**
*Wednesday, September 27 at 2:00 pm*
We will be discussing *The Magician’s Lie* by Greer Macallister.

Please register for family programs.

**FAMILY PROGRAMS**

**Long Row Lavender Farm**
*Tuesday, September 5 at 5:30 pm*
Take a tour of the farm with owner Tracy Smith! Learn how to de-bud lavender, and take home a sachet. Doors open at 5:30 for gift shop browsing.Space is limited for this event.

**Design & Wine**
*Tuesday, September 12 at 6:00 pm*
Create your own masterpiece with art teacher, Carol Peper. Nosh on treats as you sip wine provided by Blumenhof Winery! Space is limited.

**Take-A-Ticket Technology Training**
*Wednesday, September 13 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm*
Secure a thirty-minute session with our adult education trainer for any computer or device help you may need.

**KID & TEEN PROGRAMS**

Please register for computer programs.

**COMPUTER PROGRAMS**

**Robotics Club (Grades 5-12)**
*Monday, September 18 from 3:15 pm - 4:45 pm*
Build robots with the WHS Robotics Club. Animate the robots using computer software.
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