The “Magic of Disney” visits Scenic Regional Library branch

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Walt Disney, the man who created Mickey Mouse, died in 1966 but his legacy in Hollywood goes on.

Disney started his career as a commercial illustrator and became one of the most celebrated animators and movie producers in history.

His company survives as a conglomerate with other big media companies like 20th Century Fox, ABC, Marvel Studios, Lucas Films, ESPN, and Dreamworks.

The company also owns amusement parks and resorts around the world.

The Scenic Regional Library Warrenton branch is celebrating 90 years of Mickey Mouse with Disney researcher Dan Viets. Viets is coauthor of “Walt Disney’s Missouri: The Roots of a Creative Genius.”

His program is 6-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 20, at the library, 912 S. State Highway 47. People can RSVP by calling 636-456-3321, stopping by the library or visiting scenicregional.com.

Kenny Christian, who organizes events at the library as the adult programmer, invited Viets to speak.

“This was the perfect time of year to bring this event to Warrenton. It is the 90th anniversary of Mickey Mouse, and Walt Disney’s birthday is Dec. 5,” she said.

Not everyone knows that some of Disney’s biggest influences came from a little railroad town in Missouri, or that he had planned to open an amusement park in St. Louis.

Disney was born in Chicago, Ill. in 1901. His family moved to a farm in Marceline, in 1905. The town is located right between St. Joseph and Hannibal, 3 miles south of the State Highway 47 and U.S. Route 36 interchange.
Talk about mountain lions, elk and bears at library

An education consultant with the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) will be at Scene Regional Library in Warrenton to talk about mountain lions, elk and bears.

Kim Cole, education consultant with the MDC, will discuss these native Missouri animals and their repopulation. The presentation is at 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15. Scene Regional Library Warrenton branch, 912 S. Highway 47.

Mountain lions, elk and black bears are native to Missouri. There was a time when they were common.

For about 150 years, they were forced out of the state. Recent sightings of these animals in Missouri, and in Warren County, are proof that they are returning.

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