Parents/Caregivers learned about strategies they can do at home to help their young ones get ready to read and took home 4 free books, during this Read From the Start program funded by the Missouri Humanities Council.

This young lady at the Owensville branch was sure excited about winning a Neighborhood Read Bookstore gift certificate in our Winter Reading Program.

Staff at the New Haven branch dressed as their favorite book characters for National Library Week.

Donate Your Used Books, DVDs & CDs to the Library Book Sale!

Thursday, May 9, 9am-7pm
Friday, May 10, 9am-6pm
Saturday, May 11, 9am-5pm

Hardcover Books, DVDs, and CDs...$1.00
Paperback Books, VHS Tapes, Cassette Tapes, and Records...50¢
Call: 636-583-0652 for more information

Families can attend a special book sale preview event on Wednesday, May 8, 5-6pm. All Friends of the Library members receive a 10% discount at the book sale and may attend the preview event.
Library Begins “Floating” Entire Collection

On May 1, the library will begin “floating” its entire collection between branches. When a patron returns an item they requested from another branch it will stay at the branch where it was returned instead of being returned to its original location. The library’s computer system automatically changes the item’s location to the new branch upon check-in.

The benefits of a “floating” collection are that it constantly changes the collection at each branch, which gives patrons different titles to browse each time they visit; and reduces wear and tear on items because they don’t have to be shipped back to their original branch through the courier when they are returned.

On November 1, 2018, the library began “floating” its movies on DVD and large print collections. The six-month trial with movies on DVD and large print books was considered successful.

Staffing Increased at New Branches

Due to a dramatic increase in usage over the past year, the library has created eight new part-time positions at its branches this spring. Over the last five months, checkouts have increased an astonishing 31% across the nine-branch system, along with a 38% increase in visitors and double-digit surge in computer usage.

The library received a grant from the Missouri State Library last year for self-check systems at most of the new branches. While self-check has been popular, with about 20% of the library’s checkouts being done at the kiosks, they haven’t relieved enough of the workload for branch staff.

July is usually the library’s busiest month, with Summer Reading Program and school being closed, but usage in March 2019 was similar to July 2018. As a result, the library expects record-breaking usage this coming summer.

The positions have been added at the St. Clair, Wright City, Sullivan, New Haven, Pacific, and Owensville branches. Altogether, the additions represent an increase of over 6,500 hours of part-time staff annually throughout the system. Two of the new positions were added in March. The library plans to have the other new staff hired and trained prior to the beginning of Summer Reading Program.

More Local Historical Newspapers Digitized

On April 19, the Missouri State Historical Society informed the Library that they completed digitization of the New Haven Leader from 1918 to 1977 and Gerald Journal from 1916 to 1921 and 1928 to 1962. The content, which encompasses 51,800 pages of newspapers, became available to the public online on April 22. The Missouri State Historical Society was able to digitize the newspapers with remaining funds from existing digitization projects.

Since 2015, the library has partnered with the Missouri State Historical Society and received multiple digital imaging grants to digitize over 350,000 pages of local historical newspapers. The collection includes 30 newspapers from Warren, Gasconade, and Franklin counties spanning between 1843 and 1977. Users can search the entire newspaper collection with a simple keyword search either at the library or online from home. The collection can be found by visiting: https://scenicregional.org/local-historical-newspapers/. The library previously digitized the Gerald Journal from 1922 to 1928 and from 1962 to 1965, as well as the New Haven Leader from 1903 to 1918.

The only remaining local historical newspapers existing on microfilm which the library has not digitized (prior to 1965) are the Hermann Advertiser-Courier and Meramec Valley Transcript. The library plans to digitize the Meramec Valley Transcript in 2020. The newspaper, originally published in Pacific, is available on microfilm from 1895 to 1995.

The Hermann Advertiser-Courier has been digitized from 1875 to 1922. However, due to copyright law, the library is unable to digitize content after 1922 without the publisher’s permission. The Advertiser-Courier is owned by Lakeway Publishers, based on Morristown, Tennessee; the company has refused to give or sell the library permission to digitize the newspaper.
In April, the library began offering cake pans for check-out. The collection consists of 72 pans throughout the library system and includes a variety of shapes, such as Darth Vader, Harry Potter, a T-Rex, a train, a Christmas tree, and a t-shirt. Each pan can be borrowed for two weeks and renewed once. Borrowing a cake pan is free, but if it is returned dirty there is a $5.00 cleaning fee.

Each branch has a binder containing color photographs of all 72 cake pans in the library’s collection. If a particular cake pan is unavailable at a patron’s local branch, they can place a hold on it, like they would a book or DVD.

Poets from Franklin County helped us celebrate National Poetry Month at the Union branch.
Franklin County Master Gardeners’ Garden Tour

Scenic Regional Library and the Washington Public Library will be selling tickets for the Franklin County Master Gardeners’ 2019 Franklin County Garden Tour from May 1 until June 8. The tour, which is scheduled for Saturday, June 8, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, will include at least seven gardens in Union, St. Clair, and the Pacific area. The library will only be selling the tickets at its Pacific, Union, and St. Clair branches. Tickets are $15.00 each and all proceeds go to the group’s community educational programs in horticulture and local school scholarships. The Franklin County Master Gardeners have the garden tour every other year.

Staff Spotlight: Kecia
Children’s Programmer, Sullivan Branch

How long have you worked for Scenic?
Three years in June.

What made you want to work in a library?
When I saw the ad in the paper I was a stay-at-home mom at the time and our town had just joined with Scenic Regional Library. After reading the job description, I knew that I wanted to be a part of offering great things for not only my children but the children of my community at the library to maybe help them grow a love for reading. The library was a big part of my childhood and I wanted to help make that possible for others as well.

What is your favorite part of the job?
I have many favorite parts to this job. First, the community involvement just amazes me. Children know me and when they see me out in the town they light up saying, “There’s the library lady!” Another favorite part of this job is the people. It’s easy to grow close to your co-workers and your patrons when you see them on a daily basis but the best part is when you get to know their favorite authors and make their day when you find a new book for them!

What do you wish more people knew about the library?
It still amazes me that people think that they have to pay to come to our programs. It’s not just cheap, it’s free!

What upcoming program at your branch are you excited about and why?
The upcoming program that I am excited about would have to be the Dome Theater! Space is always an amazing thing and to be able to experience a little bit of that here at the library will be pretty awesome.

What is your favorite book?
My favorite book would have to be any of the Little House on the Prairie books. I was a child who had a hard time finding the right kind of book and my third grade teacher introduced me to this series and I instantly fell in love.
may 2019 upcoming events

HERMANN BRANCH
Call: 573-486-2024

Please register for adult programs.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Book Club
Wednesday, May 15 at 4:30 pm
The Whistling Season by Ivan Doig.

Good and Bad Girls of Missouri
Thursday, May 16 at 6:00 pm
Learn about 20 famous women from Missouri who influenced society.

Finding Joy
Thursday, May 23 at 6:00 pm
Gina Porsch will teach us about “Finding Joy When You’re Just Not Feelin’ It.”

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Storytime
Every Thursday at 10:00 am

S.T.E.A.M. Time Storytime
Thursday, May 2 at 10:00 am
RSVP for planting supplies.

Project T.I.L.T.: Buffalo Plaid Jars
Tuesday, May 7 at 3:30 pm
RSVP for supplies.

Kids Club: Painted Tote Bags
Thursday, May 9 at 3:30 pm
RSVP for supplies.

Dome Theater
Friday, May 31 from 9:00am-1:00pm
Watch a movie in our cool dome theater-register at the branch.

Family Fort Night
Friday, May 31 at 5:00 pm
Kick off Summer Reading with science experiments and blanket fort fun! Bring a blanket.

Family Movie Night at the Hermann Show Boat Theater
Friday, May 4 at 7:00 pm
“Solo: A Star Wars Story”

NEW HAVEN BRANCH
Call: 573-237-2189

Please register for adult programs.

ADULT PROGRAMS

The Life and Times of Philip Miller
Thursday, May 2 from 6:00-7:30pm
Historian David Menke will relate the story of Miller’s Landing, today’s New Haven.

Sushi Class
Thursday, May 16 at 6:00pm
Learn to make your own vegetarian sushi roll. Limit 20.

Book Club at the Branch
Wednesday, May 22 from 11:00am-4:30pm
Join us for a discussion of There There by Tommy Orange.

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Pre-School Storytime
Each Tuesday at 10:00 am

Star Wars Dungeons and Dragons
Saturday, May 4 from 11:00am-4:30pm
Come and play D&D; Star Wars style.

Dome Theater
Friday, May 31 from 3:00-7:00pm
Watch a movie in our cool dome theater-register at the branch.

Summer Reading Program: Kick-Off Party
Friday, May 31 from 5:00-7:00pm
Enjoy some food and fun and get a chance to sign-up early for SRP.

OWENSVILLE BRANCH
Call: 573-437-2188

Please register for adult programs.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Meet the Author: Tammy Lane
Thursday, May 2 at 6:00 pm
Author of Aspen-Where Are You? All Roads Lead to Home.

Saturday Morning Star Wars
Saturday, May 4 at 10:30 am
Bring your pillows, wear comfy clothes, and join us for “The Clone Wars.”

Tea Time Travelers’ Book Club
Tuesday, May 21 at 6:30 pm
We will discuss 1984 by George Orwell.

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Lil’ OWLs Storytime
Every Wednesday at 10:00 am

Read, Build, & Play (Grades K-5)
Tangrams & Origami
Saturday, May 11 at 10:30 am
Don’t be square, have fun with tangram puzzles & origami paper folding. Please register.

Patrons in Pacific learned how to work with royal icing as they decorated Easter cookies.

A big thank you to Dr. Michelle from the Warrenton Veterinary Clinic for reading to the kids in storytime at the Warrenton branch for Community Helpers month.

Kids at the Union branch got to make salt-dough gargoyles!
Please register for adult programs.

**ADULT PROGRAMS**

**Mahjong & More**
Every Monday at 10:00 am

**Book Club**
Tuesday, May 14 at 6:00 pm
We will be discussing *The Heart’s Invisible Fury* by John Boyne.

**Container Gardening**
Thursday, May 23 at 6:00 pm
Debbie Brandt will be the presenter.

**Decorate Acrylic Frames** (Limit 20)
Tuesday, May 30 at 6:00 pm

**KID & TEEN PROGRAMS**

**Storytime (Toddlers-Kindergarten)**
Thursdays at 10:00 am

**Kid’s Club (Grades 1-5)**
1st & 3rd Saturday at 11:00 am
May 4: Spa Craft
May 18: Read, Build & Play Legos

**Teen Cupcake Wars!**
Monday, May 20 at 6:00 pm

**Dome Theater**
Wednesday, May 29 from 9:00am - 1:00pm
Watch a 1/2 hr. movie in our cool dome theater. Register at the branch.

**ST. CLAIR BRANCH**

Call: 636-629-2546

Please register for adult programs.

**ADULT PROGRAMS**

**May the Fourth Be With You**
Saturday, May 4 from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Family Star Wars-themed activities, snacks, and a viewing of “Solo.”
No registration required.

**Book Bingo**
Not Scheduled for May

**Book-to-Movie Club**
Thursday, May 16 at 5:00 pm
Same Kind of Different as Me by Denver Moore, Lynn Vincent, and Ron Hall.

**Adult Book Club**
Thursday, May 23 at 2:00 pm
*The Silent Sister* by Diane Chamberlain.

**Are You Smarter than a Librarian?**
Thursday, May 30 at 6:00 pm
Fun trivia night against skilled librarians. Limit 40.

**KID & TEEN PROGRAMS**

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

**Homeschool Group**
Meets 1st & 3rd Wednesdays at 11:00 am
May 1: Mother’s Day Craft
May 15: Origami

**Pre-School Storytime**
Every Thursday at 11:00 am

**Read, Build, & Play**
1st Saturday each month at 11:00 am
May 4: Star Wars Coding.

**Know When to Fold ‘Em**
Wednesday, May 22 at 2:00 pm
Learn basic origami.

**Dome Theater**
Tuesday, May 28 from 9:00am - 1:00pm
Watch a movie in our cool dome theater. Register at the branch.

**SULLIVAN BRANCH**

Call: 573-468-4372

Please register for adult programs.

**ADULT PROGRAMS**

**As the Page Turns Book Club**
Thursday, May 9 at 6:00 pm
We will discuss *Grendel* by John Gardner.

**Fashion Through the Ages**
Saturday, May 18 at 2:00 pm
Come see vintage clothing and accessories from the 1900’s.

**Pinterest Craft Night: Clay Cactus Pot**
Tuesday May 21, 6:00 pm
Create a cute potted clay cactus!

**KID & TEEN PROGRAMS**

**Storytime (Toddlers-Kindergarten)**
Thursday at 10:00 am

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**Dome Theater**
Wednesday, May 29 from 9:00am - 1:00pm
Watch a 1/2 hr. movie in our cool dome theater. Register at the branch.
UNION BRANCH
Call: 636-583-3224

Please register for adult programs.  

ADULT PROGRAMS

Project Linus Blankets  
Thursday, May 2 from 6:00 - 7:00 pm  
Help provide comfort to children through the gift of handmade blankets.

Jesse and Frank James: Uncovered Truth  
Thursday, May 9 from 6:00 - 7:00 pm  
Who is buried in Jesse James’ grave? Robert O. Friedel answers that and other James questions.

Hooked on Books Book Club  
Thursday, May 16 at 6:00 pm  
Challenges Deep by Neal Shusterman.

Book BINGO  
Thursday, May 23 from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Registration required. Limit 6. 18+ yrs.

COMPUTER PROGRAMS  

Basic Internet Skills  
Tuesday, May 7 from 10:00 - 11:00 am

Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint  
Wednesday, May 15 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Creating Charts in Microsoft Excel  
Tuesday, May 21 from 6:00 - 7:00 pm

WARRENTON BRANCH  
Call: 636-456-3321

Please register for adult programs.  

ADULT PROGRAMS

Hatha Yoga  
NO CLASSES DURING THE SUMMER

Chicks with Sticks (Crochet/Knitting)  
Tuesdays at 1:00 pm

Mom’s Night Out (Limit 46)  
Tuesday, May 7 from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm  
Relax with paraffin wax treatments, hand massages, foot soaks & more!

Folly Beach Dances  
Tuesday, May 14 at 6:00 pm  
Sheree Nielsen will speak about her book.

Trail of Tears with Bill Stewart  
Tuesday, May 21 at 6:00 pm  
Learn about the removal of the Cherokee Nation and their journey through MO.

A Novel Bunch Book Club  
Wednesday, May 22 at 2:00 pm  
A Tree Grows in Brooklyn by Betty Smith.

TRIM HEALTHY MAMA  
Tuesday, May 28 at 6:00 pm  
Learn about the THM lifestyle, recipes & more.

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Bedtime Storytime  
NOT SCHEDULED FOR MAY

Preschool Storytime  
Tuesdays at 10:00 am

Star Wars Storytime (Costumes encouraged)  
Wednesday, May 1 at 10:00 am

DIY Butterfly Garden  
Tuesday, May 7 at 3:30 pm

Simple Machines for Kids  
Tuesday, May 14 at 3:30 pm  
Let’s learn about simple machines!

Reading to Rover (Therapy dogs)  
Thursday, May 23 at 5:00 pm

Dome Theater (Register at the branch)  
Wednesday, May 29 from 3:00 - 7:00 pm  
Watch a movie in our cool dome theater.

WRIGHT CITY BRANCH  
Call: 636-944-6100

Please register for adult programs.  

ADULT PROGRAMS

Adult Book Bingo (Ages 18+)  
Thursday, May 2 at 1:00 pm  
Come win free books!

Adult Book Club  
Monday, May 13 at 6:00 pm  
We will discuss Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot.

Gardening 101 with Anna  
Thursday, May 16 at 5:00 pm  
Get a head start on your garden!

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Storytime (Preschool-Kindergarten)  
Wednesdays at 10:00 am

Sensory Storytime (Limit 10)  
Thursday, May 2 at 6:00 pm  
Designed for those on the spectrum or with sensory needs. Registration required.

Mommy & Me Manicures  
Saturday, May 4 at 1:00 pm  
Mommy/daughter day at the branch!

Teen Book to Movie Club  
Saturday, May 18 at 2:00 pm  
Join the discussion about Percy Jackson: The Lightning Thief and watch the movie.

TAB  
Thursday, May 23 at 6:00 pm  
Teens! Join us to discuss future programs.

Dome Theater  
Thursday, May 30 from 9:00am - 1:00pm  
Watch a 1/2 hr. movie in our cool dome theater. Register at the branch.

These young patrons sure enjoy the play area in the new New Haven branch!

SCENIC REGIONAL LIBRARY

LIKE US! GO TO FACEBOOK.COM | VISIT US AT SCENICREGIONAL.ORG
Purchase a “Book” for the Donor Wall in Your Community’s New Library

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

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. Donor wall “books” can also serve as a beautiful and long-lasting memorial for a loved one.

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](http://www.scenicregionalfoundation.org) or complete this form to place your order. The Foundation accepts debit and credit cards (online), checks, and cash (only for forms brought to the library) for donor wall “book” purchases.

Proceeds from the sale of the donor wall books are designated for the local Friends of the Library group and used to assist with the purchase of furnishings and equipment in their new building.

**Purchases are tax deductible.**

Donor wall “books” can be purchased throughout the construction project and will be unveiled at the grand opening of each new branch library.

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