

# THE Scenic Regional Library NEW SLETTER



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#### Community Read Going Strong

The library's Community Read is well underway, with over 1,000 copies of Frankenstein by Mary Shelley having been given away to local middle and high schools. The goal of the Community Read is to build a bond within our communities and encourage discussion by having as many people as possible read the same book at the same time.

The Community Read kicked off on March 12, and programming began soon after on March 21 and will continue throughout April. The six weeks of programming put on by the library and its partners will culminate with "Meet Mary Shelley", a performance by living history storyteller, Susan Marie Frontczak at the John Edson Anglin Performing Arts Center at East Central College on Saturday, April 30.

To view a complete brochure with details of the remaining Community Read programs, visit this community reads.org, or stop by any Scenic Regional Library branch to pick up a print copy.



#### Trigger Locks & Medical Misuse Prevention Supplies Coming Soon!

In April, Scenic Regional Library will begin distributing free medical misuse supplies and firearm trigger locks to those who need them. Medical misuse supplies are designed to assist in the prevention of medication abuse and mistakes.

The supplies to be distributed are: medicine lockboxes used to lock up medications; medicine timer caps used to track the last time a medication bottle was opened; Deterra drug disposal bags used to safely and permanently dispose of unused prescriptions and over the counter medications; and trigger locks, which are locks that fit over a gun's trigger and prevents it from being fired.

For this program, Scenic Regional Library has partnered with Foundations for Franklin County, Franklin County CRUSH, Franklin County Youth Coalition, HOPE for Franklin County, Mid-Mo Addiction Awareness Group, and Warren County Alcohol/Drug Reduction Support. The library will be receiving a \$5,000 grant, which will be used to purchase supplies. To receive one of the medical misuse supplies or a trigger lock, visit your local branch.



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#### **Community Caught** Reading

These members of our communities were caught participating in our Community Read!



Diane Jones from KLPW



JT Hardy, Sullivan City Administrator



Kelsi from Little Ireland Coffee in Pacific



Cozy Bailey, St. Clair Mayor



Michelle Heiliger, Wright City Mayor



Trenton Garvey, Season 20 Winner of Hell's Kitchen



Bob Niebruegge, Library Board Member & Executive Director of the Owensville Chamber of Commerce



Officer Adam Sullentrup from the New Haven Police Department



Jason Henke from PNC Bank in Warrenton



Ernestine from the Hermann Lions Club

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#### Byrd Granted Friend of School Libraries Award

Elizabeth Byrd. children's programmer at the Sullivan branch of Scenic Regional Library, has been selected as the recipient of the 2022 "Friend of School Libraries Award" by the Missouri Association of School Librarians (MASL).

According to the MASL website, the "Friend of School Libraries Award" is granted to individuals who have provided sustained or exemplary service to library media services in Missouri.

Ms. Byrd was nominated by Cathy Boero, Sullivan Primary School Librarian. According to Boero, Ms. Byrd visits the school monthly and reads to five of their preschool classes both in the morning and afternoon. She also sends weekly video recorded book talks which are shared during the school's "morning news" program.

"Her level of excitement when presenting these books is so engaging, even some of our teachers comment how they would like to read the books she recommends," said

Ms. Byrd also performs monthly outreach activities at Spring Bluff School, Strain-Japan School, and St. Anthony's Preschool and Kindergarten.



Ms. Byrd has been the children's programmer at the Sullivan branch for two years. Before that, she worked as the K-8 renaissance coordinator and library assistant at Crawford County R-1 School District for 20 years.

"Elizabeth has done an excellent job representing Scenic Regional Library and we consider her a great resource to our school," said Boero.

Ms. Byrd loves sharing the joy of literacy and one of her favorite read-aloud books is Chicken Storytime, by Sandy Asher. In her spare time, she enjoys traveling with her husband, Jeff, and spending time with her two daughters, Alexis and Victoria, and son-in-law, Alejandro. When not at work, you can find her with her nose in a book, cup of coffee in hand.



Sullivan had a packed show for Mr. Bennett's presentation of "Grave Robbing" for our Community Read.



"Escape Dr. Frankenstein's Monster" was held in St. Clair. These ladies had fun discovering how to escape the lab.



Volunteers from our Hermann Lion's Club offered free vision screenings through KidSight and we read about bears.

#### Follow Us on Instagram!



 $\Gamma$ ollow Scenic Regional Library on Instagram! The library has recently consolidated its nine individual Instagram accounts into one account. On the new account, you will find photos of branch life, program photos, and more! The new handle for the library's Instagram account is @scenicregionallibrary.

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### Teen Health & Wellness Offers Self-Support Help

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offers Teen Health
& Wellness, a
ground-breaking
database
that provides
middle and high



school students with nonjudgmental, straightforward self-help support, and provides a secure place for teens online to find real answers about real life. The website offers an abundance of articles correlated to state, national and provincial standards, and covers topics including diseases, drugs, alcohol, nutrition, mental health, suicide, bullying, LBGTQ+, and much more. To begin using Teen Health & Wellness today, visit <a href="https://scenicregional.org/databases/#health">https://scenicregional.org/databases/#health</a> and click "Teen Health & Wellness."



Warrenton presented an All American Girls Professional Baseball League program with Emmy award-winning producer and author, Ed Wheatley.



Food, fun, and "Franken-Cooking" quiche was held at our Union branch.

#### Help Fight Hunger with Franklin County Food Drive

Scenic Regional Library has partnered with the Franklin County Homeless Task Force to serve as a drop-off location for their "Pop Top" food drive from Friday, April 1 to Saturday, April 16. A donation box will be placed in the entryway in the library's five Franklin County branches. People are encouraged to donate items such as fruit cups, pudding, granola or power bars, single-serving Chef-Boy-R-Dee ravioli or SpaghettiO's, fruit snacks, Spam, trail mix, dried fruit, peanut butter crackers, Vienna sausages, pull-tab canned goods, small cans, or pouches of juice, beef jerky, bottled water and individual size packages of chips or pretzels.



to local organizations that work with the homeless population, as well as the little free pantries located throughout Franklin County. For more information about the "Pop Top" food drive, visit www.fcserviceproviders.org.

The donated items will be distributed

#### 1950 U.S. Census Data Coming to Ancestry Library

You will soon be able to learn more about your family's life in 1950, with updated



information provided through Ancestry Library! On April 1, the 1950 U.S. Census will be released by the National Archives, and <u>Ancestry.com</u> will begin indexing the information, state by state, and will publish it in the Ancestry Library Edition, available free through Scenic Regional Library.

Why is this a big deal? Over 151 million people were recorded in the 1950 U.S. Census, and about 30 million of those were age 9 and under, appearing in a census for the first time. This Census also marks the first appearance of the "baby boomers," and captures expatriates living abroad, students at college, and people owning televisions. Not to mention the significant migration reflected, as many people were relocating to different parts of the country for a variety of reasons!

The new information is expected to be uploaded to Ancestry Library in mid-to-late-April. Ancestry Library is in-library use only. To start exploring your family history, stop by your local branch, visit us online at <a href="https://scenicregional.org/databases/#genealogy">https://scenicregional.org/databases/#genealogy</a> and click "Ancestry Library."

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#### Staff Spotlight: Adriana Library Assistant, Sullivan Branch



Can you share a little bit about your background before you came to work at the library? I grew up in Mexico City, where I studied computer science. My husband is from Sullivan, and we met while he was working for the Department of State in the U.S. Embassy in Mexico. After his assignment in Mexico ended, we worked for several other U.S. Embassies, including Costa Rica, Kyrgyzstan, Botswana and Peru. Moving so much was a very interesting but challenging lifestyle, so we were looking forward to returning to Sullivan and settling

#### How has it been adjusting to life

in Sullivan after so much moving around? It has been an easy and smooth transition. I love the sense of community in Sullivan, and everyone has been very welcoming. My husband and I are happy and grateful to call Sullivan our home, and look forward to creating many memories here in the years to come.

What made you want to work in a library? Books have always been an essential part of my life. My father had a great love for reading, and my brothers and I grew up treasuring books and the gifts they offer. Through books, we can travel anywhere in the world, and we get to know historians, sportsmen, philosophers, artists, or kings. All of them can become our "friends" in that we get to know how they feel and think. So, working in a library I feel like a kid in a candy store!

#### What is your favorite part of your job?

There are so many resources available in the catalog, not only from our Scenic Regional branches, but also from other libraries of the Missouri Evergreen consortium. My favorite part of the job is helping patrons to find an item they want. I love the moment when they receive a book by a favorite author or a film they have been looking forward to watching.

#### What upcoming program are you most excited about?

I'm very excited about this year's Community Read. I'm looking forward in particular to the Grave Robbing presentation, because I find it an intriguing topic. And there are many other interesting programs being offered this spring, on the themes of Mary Shelley and Frankenstein, including Franken-Cooking, a virtual How to Draw Frankenstein, and lots of fun activities.

#### What are you currently reading/just finished/or reading next?

I'm currently reading World Without End by Ken Follett. It is the seguel to The Pillars of the Earth, one of my all-time favorite books.

#### Any hobbies or interests outside the library?

I love music, reading, going for walks in nature, and spending time with family and friends.

#### **Library Donates Books to Turning Point Shelter**

Scenic Regional Library recently donated 500 children's books and 300 adult books to Turning Point Domestic Advocacy Services, for their new domestic violence shelter. The books will be used to create a small library for the women and children who will reside in the new shelter, which has 36 beds.

Each year, more than 500 women and children seek assistance from Turning Point; the organization shelters more than 100 women and 60 children annually and provides support services for many more through community-based programs. To learn more about Turning Point Domestic Advocacy Services, visit http://www. turningpointdvs.com/.



Sarah Gramanzini, executive director of Turning Point Domestic Advocacy Services, accepted the books from Steve Campbell, Scenic Regional Library director.



Children in Pacific had a great time playing St. Patrick's-themed Minute-to-Win-It games.

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#### 1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Have you heard about 1000 Books Before Kindergarten? Studies have shown that reading with your child provides a great opportunity for bonding. Experts agree that children who learn the necessary skills early do better in school and later in life. Participating in 1000 Books Before Kindergarten can help put your child on the right track and will create life-long memories for both of you.

The program is simple- either pick out books at home or at the library, then start reading to your pre-kindergarten-age child and keep track! Storytime books and participating in the Summer Reading Program also count toward their total! After completing the program, your child will receive a color-your-own book bag to decorate and will be featured in the library's newsletter and social media pages. To get started, visit <a href="https://scenicregional.org/kids/1000-books-before-kindergarten/">https://scenicregional.org/kids/1000-books-before-kindergarten/</a>, or contact your local branch.



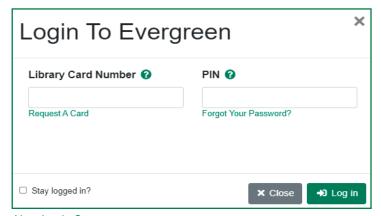
These little patrons are all well on their way to completing their goal of reading 1000 Books Before Kindergarten!



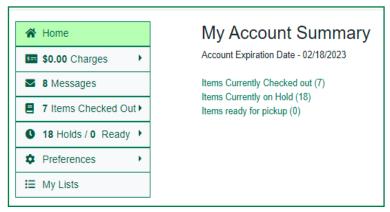
Killian, a young Union branch patron, recently completed 1000 Books Before Kindergarten!

#### Missouri Evergreen Will Receive a Facelift

**B**e on the lookout for changes coming to your Scenic Regional Library account, beginning April 20. With the new update, both the login screen and the patron information in the library's online public access catalog (OPAC) will be updated, to allow for easier browsing and management of your materials.



New Login Screen



New Patron Account Information

# 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:

- $8" \times 1\%"$  book \$100
- 10" x 2" book \$200
  - 9" x 3" book \$300

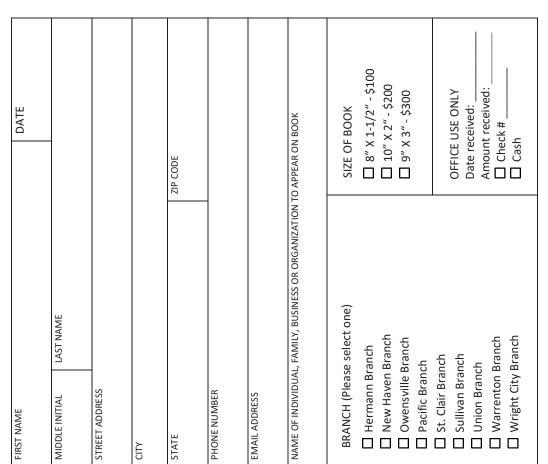
Visit <a href="www.scenicregional.org/foundation">www.scenicregional.org/foundation</a> order. The Foundation accepts debit and credit cards (online), checks, and cash (only for forms brought to the library) for donor wall "book" purchases.

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.



## Scenic Regional Library Foundation Donor Wall "Book" Order Form



Mail this form (or drop it off at your local branch) with your personal check or money order to:

Friends of the Library 251 Union Plaza Drive Union, MO 63084



#### SCENIC REGIONAL LIBRARY FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



October 1, 2021 - September 30, 2022 Membership Year

All information submitted is considered confidential and will never be given or sold to any other individual, company, or organization.

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