

read, explore, grow THE Scenic Regional Library NEW/SLETTER



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Community Read will Conclude with Culinary Show

The 2023 Community Read is going strong, and we are quickly approaching the final events! The purpose of the Community Read is to have everyone in our communities read the same book at the same time. This year, we are reading "Walking with Peety" by Eric O'Grey.

On Thursday, April 13, at 6 p.m., join us at the Union branch for a Meet the Author event as O'Grey shares his story of positive changes he made that altered the course of his life. A book signing will follow.

On Friday, April 14, the Community Read will conclude with the "This Community Reads Culinary Show!" The event will take place at Washington West Elementary School from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

During the event, O'Grey will showcase his culinary talents with a cooking demonstration, teaching the audience how to cook vegetarian cauliflower and black bean chili, and Cajun tofu chunks.

In addition, attendees at the event can try samples and visit food and craft vendors between demonstrations. Different vendor services at the show will include sweet treats, kitchen gadgets, indoor garden gadgets, and more. For more information, visit thiscommunityreads.org.



Meet Eric O'Grey

Thursday, April 13, 6 p.m. at the Union branch

This Community Reads Culinary Show Friday, April 14, 5 - 8 p.m. at the Washington West Elementary School

Peer Support Trailer Visits Pacific and St. Clair

Scenic Regional Library will partner with HOPE for Franklin County Coalition and Prevent+Ed to host a Certified Peer Specialist (CPS) mobile outreach trailer at the Pacific and St. Clair branches over the next few months. The trailer will be at the Pacific branch from April 1 to April 10, the St. Clair branch from May 1 to May 8, and again at the St. Clair branch from June 1 to June 15.

Their Certified Peer Specialist program consists of individuals who have been successful in recovery and help others experiencing similar situations. Through shared understanding, respect, and mutual empowerment, peer support workers help people become and stay engaged

in the recovery process and reduce the likelihood of recurrence.

The program can also connect people directly to medication for their substance use disorder by facilitating a virtual appointment with medical professionals. The mobile unit will also have Narcan to share with visitors if they want access to the life-saving drug. All services are provided at no cost. Peer support services can extend the reach of treatment beyond the clinical setting into the everyday environment of those seeking a successful, sustained recovery process. The trailer will be located in the parking lot, and three Certified Peer Specialists will be available to meet clients where they are in their journey to recovery.



The certified peer specialist trailer will be available at the following locations and dates:

Pacific Branch, April 1 - April 10 St. Clair Branch, May 1 - May 8 St. Clair Branch, June 1 - June 15



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Trivia Fundraiser Huge Success

The Scenic Regional Library
Foundation Trivia fundraiser, held on
March 4 at the Union City Auditorium,
was an enormous success. The moviethemed event sold 21 tables and had
approximately 160 people in attendance.
The event raised \$4.410.

A silent auction was held at the event, and people were given the opportunity to purchase mulligans, 50/50 tickets, and raffle basket tickets. In addition, prizes were given for the best-decorated table and best outfit.



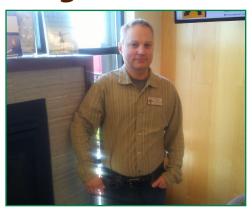
Michelle McDaniel won best outfit as the Scarecrow from Wizard of Oz!



New Hermann and New Haven Branch Manager

Brian Cleveland has been hired as the new Hermann and New Haven branch manager. Previously, Cleveland was director of the Ralls County Public Library, located by Hannibal, Missouri. He has also worked at St. Charles City-County Library and St. Louis Public Library.

Cleveland has a master's degree in Japanese literature from the University of Kansas, and a master's degree in library science from the University of Illinois. He began his new role on March 6.



Election Information from League of Women Voters[®] Available at Branches

The League of Women Voters® is a nonpartisan, grassroots organization working to protect and expand voting rights and ensure everyone is represented in our



democracy. They empower voters and defend democracy through advocacy, education, and litigation at the local, state, and national levels. The League of Women Voters® provides an online nonpartisan informational Voter Guide to provide citizens with pertinent information regarding the upcoming election. To access an online version of the Voter Guide, visit vote411.org.

St. Clair School Board Forum

Scenic Regional Library and the Missourian Media Group hosted a candidate forum for the April 4 St. Clair R-XIII School District Board of Education election. The four candidates, Brian Hinson (incumbent), Dave Berkel (incumbent), Heather Anne Van Ness, and Jason Gaszak, answered questions submitted by the public. The questions



covered topics such as open enrollment, limited internet access, teacher pay, learning plans, what makes an effective school board member, and more. Scenic Regional Library Assistant Director Megan Maurer and Missourian Editor Ethan Colbert moderated the forum.

The event was live-streamed on the St. Clair branch's Facebook page: <u>facebook.com/stclairbranch</u>. A video recording is also available on <u>scenicregional.org/elections</u>.



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Staff Spotlight: Lauren, Library Assistant, Union



How long have you worked for Scenic? I was the Children's Programmer for Union back in 2013 for a couple years. Now I am a Library Assistant for Union and have been for a little over one year.

Can you share a little bit about your background before you came to work at the library?

Before returning the second time, I was a stay at home mom. It was wonderful!

What made you want to work in a library?

Books. All the books!

What is your favorite part of the job? Why?

I love helping our patrons find what they

are looking for. It's like figuring out a puzzle or solving a mystery sometimes!

What are you currently reading or what are you reading next?

My next read is *All Your Perfects* by Colleen Hoover. I need to find out what all the Hoover hype has been about!

You can only take one book to a desert island. What book, and why?

This is a tough one! I would take *The Monster at the End of This Book* by Jon Stone. Something silly and fun because living on a desert island sounds depressing.

Any hobbies or interests outside the library?

My 5-year-old and I work together on our Animal Crossing island every day. My favorite part of the day!

Is there anything else you would like people to know about you, your job, or your library branch?

The library is not just books! We have ukuleles, cake pans, STEM kits, telescopes, and more!

Director Campbell Elected to MU Extension Council for Franklin County

Director Steve Campbell was elected in January to serve on the MU Extension Council for Franklin County, representing the Union district. He was sworn in on February 23 and will serve a two-year term.

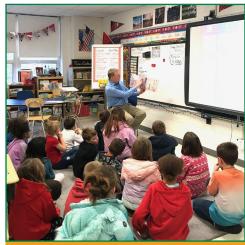


MU Extension council members work with extension specialists to provide the county educational programs, manage the finances of local extension operations, provide personnel to carry out extension activities, and elect and organize the local extension council.

Mark Your Calendars for the Spring Book Sale

Mark your calendars! Scenic Regional Library's spring book sale is back! From Thursday, May 18 to Saturday, May 20, join us at all nine locations and shop thousands of adult and children's books, CDs, and audiobooks. Book sale volunteers earn a \$5 voucher for free sale books for each hour they help. A special preview for Friends of the Library members will be on Wednesday, May 17, from 5 pm to 6 pm. All Friends of the Library receive a 10% discount at the book sale and may attend the preview event.

Every branch is accepting donations for the book sale!



Director Steve Campbell read to Ms. Raterman's third-grade class at Daniel Boone Elementary School in Warrenton on March 3 for Read Across America Week.

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PBS Family Resources Available

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m M}$ eghan Halsey, with 9 PBS, visited all of the Scenic Regional Library branches in March to publicize the organization's resources available for families, including kindergarten readiness materials. For more information, visit ninepbs.org/learningtoolkit.



The Alzheimer's Association of Greater Missouri will be hosting a Caregiver Support Group in the meeting room of our Warrenton Branch every 4th Wednesday from 6pm to 7:30pm. Alzheimer's Association support groups, conducted by trained facilitators, are a safe place for people living with dementia and their care partners. You will have the opportunity to:

- Develop a support system
- Exchange practical information on challenges and possible solutions
- Talk through issues & ways of coping
- Share feelings, needs and concerns
- Learn about community resources

For more information contact Viki Farrow, 314-216-1001, svfarrow@yahoo.com.

Scenic Regional Library at Family Reading Night

Scenic Regional Library participated in Family Reading Night at Washington Middle School on March 3. The library read "Madeline Finn and the Shelter Dog" and attendees had the opportunity to color a picture of a dog or cat to make their own button. Approximately 800 people attended the event, and the library helped 120 children make buttons.





Newest Gallery Exhibit Now Open

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m T}$ he Gallery at the Library's latest exhibit, "Black and White and Eight Shades of Gray," opened on March 3 and saw over 100 attendees during the reception. The Hermann Friends of the Library is the sponsor for the exhibit, which features 93 black and white photographs submitted by artists from around the country. The exhibit will run until Saturday, May 20. The gallery is free and open to the public. All artwork is for sale. For more information, visit us at scenicregional.org/gallery.





Thank you to the Hermann Friends of the Library for sponsoring the "Black and White and Eight Shades of Gray" exhibit and helping during the reception!



april 2023 upcoming events

HERMANN BRANCH

Call: 573-486-2024

Register for all in-person programs!

ADULT PROGRAMS

Take-a-Ticket Technology Service *Tuesday, April 4 from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm*Stop by for help with your device.

BOOK CLUBS

Book Discussion Group

3rd Wednesday each month at 2:30 pm 1984 by George Orwell.

Visit here for all Book Clubs:

scenicregional.org/how-do-i/find-a-book-club/

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Preschool Storytime

Every Thursday at 10:00 am

Chess Club (Ages 8+)

Saturday, April 1 at 10:00 am

FREE KidSight Vision Screening

Thursday, April 13 at 9:30 am & 11:00 am

Kids Club: Woven Baskets (Gr. 1-6)

Monday, April 17 at 3:30 pm

The Lettering Lab (Teen/Adult)

Tuesday, April 18 at 6:00 pm

Storytime: Rewind (Preschool)

Thursday, April 20 at 4:00 pm

Library Seeks Donations

Scenic Regional Library is always accepting donations of gently-used books, DVDs, music CDs, and books on CD! Most donations will be sold at our semi-annual book sale. Have a lot? Call ahead of time, and we will help you carry them in! Contact your local branch for more details.

NEW HAVEN BRANCH

Call: 573-237-2189

Register for all in-person programs!

ADULT PROGRAMS

Take-a-Ticket Technology Service

Tuesday, April 6 from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Stop by for help with your device.

BOOK CLUBS

Book Discussion Group

3rd Thursday each month at 4:30 pm Carrie Soto is Back by Taylor Jenkins Reid.

YA/Teen Book Club

Last Saturday of the month at 1:00 pm The Getaway by Lamar Giles.

Visit here for all Book Clubs:

scenicregional.org/how-do-i/find-a-book-club/

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Preschool Storytime

Every Tuesday at 10:00 am

Ugly Art Night (Ages 8+)

April 26 from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm



OWENSVILLE BRANCH

Call: 573-437-2188

Seeds of the Month Club

April: Great White Tomato

Register for all in-person programs!

ADULT PROGRAMS

Take-a-Ticket Technology Service

Thursday, April 13 from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Stop by for help with your device.

Escape to Belize

Tuesday, April 25 at 6:00 pm Discover the people, customs and culture of Belize.

80s & 90s Trivia Night

Thursday, April 27 from 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Answer questions on pop culture, history, and general knowledge of the 80s & 90s.

BOOK CLUBS

Book Look Book Club

Tuesday, April 18 at 6:00 pm The Girl on the Train by Paula Hawkins.

Visit here for all Book Clubs:

scenicregional.org/how-do-i/find-a-book-club/

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS Lil' OWLs Storytime

Every Wednesday at 10:00 am

Hairstyling Class for Families

Wednesday, April 26 at 4:00 pm Learn braiding and simple hairstyles for children, teens, and parents.



Beaufort Elementary sent over all of their K-2nd grade classes to the Union branch on March 23 for a field trip! Everyone got a library tour, made a bookmark craft, played in the children's area, had two opportunities for read-alouds, and got some free reading time in the teen area.

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PACIFIC BRANCH

Call: 636-257-2712

Register for all in-person programs!

ADULT PROGRAMS Reap What You Sow Gardening Club

Saturday, April 22 at 11:00 am
Master Gardener Jodie Fleer will
discuss all things gardening.

An Evening with Local Authors Brett Biaggio and Payton Morgan Tuesday, April 25 at 6:00 pm

Tuesday, April 25 at 6:00 pm Author meet-and-greet including book reading, sales, and signing.

Book Bingo at Night Thursday, April 27 at 6:00 pm

BOOK CLUBS

The First Chapter Book Club (Limit 16) Tuesday, April 11 at 6:00 pm Walking with Peety by Eric O'Grey.

The Next Chapter Book Club (Limit 16) Wednesday, April 12 at 10:00 am Walking with Peety by Eric O'Grey.

Visit here for all Book Clubs:

scenicregional.org/how-do-i/find-a-book-club/ KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Preschool Storytime Every Thursday at 10:00 am

Storytime Rewind (Toddler-K) Second Thursday Each Month at 2:00 pm



Dry Creek Bloodhounds visited the Union branch and taught patrons about how their dogs use scent to find lost individuals. The organization then gave a mantrailing demonstration where Bloodhound Mattie found a young patron while she hid.

ST. CLAIR BRANCH

Call: 636-629-2546

Register for all in-person programs!

ADULT PROGRAMS

Take-a-Ticket Technology Service Wednesday, April 12 from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Stop by for help with your device.

Book Bingo

Thursday, April 20 at 6:00 pm

Epicurean Adventures: Waffles - Sweet and Savory

Waffles - Sweet and Savory Tuesday, April 25 at 6:00 pm

BOOK CLUBS

Third Thursdays Book Club
Thursday, April 20 at 2:00pm
Walking with Peety by Eric O'Grey.

Visit here for all Book Clubs:

scenicregional.org/how-do-i/find-a-book-club/

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS Preschool Storvtime

Every Thursday at 10:00 am

Kids' Book Bingo

1st Wednesday of month at 2:30 pm

Homeschool Group

Every 2nd Wednesday of the month First session at 10:00 am Second session at 11:00 am

Ruff Readers

Monday, April 24 at 4:30 pm

Waggy Wednesdays for Teens
Last Wednesday of month at 4:30 pm

SULLIVAN BRANCH

Call: 573-468-4372

Register for all in-person programs!

ADULT PROGRAMS

Take-a-Ticket Technology Service
Thursday, April 20 from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Stop by for help with your device.

Get to Know VR (Ages 13+)

Wednesday, April 26 from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Come try out the library's new Meta Quest 2 VR headsets! Games include: Space Pirate Training, Golf, Wander, Roller Coasters, Fishing, and more.

BOOK CLUBS

As The Page Turns Book Club
Tuesday, April 18 at 6:00 pm
Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline.

Visit here for all Book Clubs:

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KID & TEEN PROGRAMS Preschool Storytime

Every Tuesday at 10:00 am

Dungeons & Dragons (Teens)

Monday, April 10 at 4:00 pm

Kids Club: Can You Solve the Puzzle? Monday. April 24 at 4:00 pm



MU Extension Dietitian, Rachel O'Halloran, joined the Pacific branch and presented a hands-on instruction in healthy cooking.

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UNION BRANCH

Call: 636-583-3224

Register for all in-person programs!

ADULT PROGRAMS

Poe's Life in Poetry

Thursday, April 27 at 6:00 pm Edgar Allan Poe's life represented throughout his poetry.

BOOK CLUBS

Hooked on Books

Thursday, April 20 at 6:00 pm Week in Winter by Maeve Binchy.

Visit here for all Book Clubs:

scenicregional.org/how-do-i/find-a-book-club/

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Preschool Storytime

Every Wednesday at 10:00 am

Kids Club: Wildflower Seed Bombs

Friday, April 21 at 4:00 pm

COMPUTER CLASSES (18+ yrs.) Take-a-Ticket Technology Service

Tuesday, April 18 from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Stop by for help with your device.

MS Word: A Tour

Thursday, April 27 at 10:00 am



The Owensville branch held a book club March 21 to discuss the Community Read book "Walking with Peety" by Eric O'Grey.

WARRENTON BRANCH

Call: 636-456-3321

Register for all in-person programs!

ADULT PROGRAMS

The Life of Theodore Roosevelt Tuesday, April 18 at 6:00 pm Presented by John Notgrass.

FAMILY EVENT: Pioneer Days

Saturday, April 22 from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm Demonstrations, activities, food, and live music from days gone by.

Bob Ross Paint Night: Spring (Limit 26) Tuesday, April 25 at 5:30 pm

Take-a-Ticket Technology Service *Tuesday, April 25 from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm* Stop by for help with your device.

BOOK CLUBS

A Novel Bunch Book Club Wednesday, April 26 at 2:00 pm The Day the World Came to Town by Jim DeFede.

Reese's Reads Book Club

Thursday, April 6 at 6:00 pm Daisy Jones & The Six by Taylor Jenkins Reid.

Visit here for all Book Clubs: scenicregional.org/how-do-i/find-a-book-club/

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS Preschool Storytime

Every Tuesday at 10:00 am

Kids Club: Building Blocks Saturday, April 15 at 10:00 am

WRIGHT CITY BRANCH

Call: 636-384-1136

Register for all in-person programs!

ADULT PROGRAMS

Take-a-Ticket Technology Service Wednesday, April 26 from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Stop by for help with your device.

Book Bingo

Thursday, April 6 at 1:00pm

BOOK CLUBS

The Flashlight Readers Book Club Tuesday, April 25 at 6:00 pm The Last Time I Lied by Riley Sager.

The Last Wednesday Book Club Wednesday, April 26 at 5:00 pm

The Book Woman's Daughter by Kim Michelle Richardson.

Visit here for all Book Clubs:

scenicregional.org/how-do-i/find-a-book-club/

KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Preschool Storytime Every Tuesday at 10:00 am

TEEN Wildcat Wednesday *Every Wednesday at 1:15 pm*

PJ Book Bingo

Thursday, April 27 at 6:00 pm



Wesleyan Kiddie Kollege kiddos took a walk to the Warrenton branch and enjoyed building with the Rigamajig, playing with the Clevertouch, trains and Lego.

Purchase a "Book" for the Donor Wall in Your Community's New Library

selling donor wall "books", which will be placed in the entrance hallway of each The Scenic Regional Library Foundation and Friends of the Library groups are 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 11/2" book \$100
- 10" x 2" book \$200
 - 9" x 3" book \$300

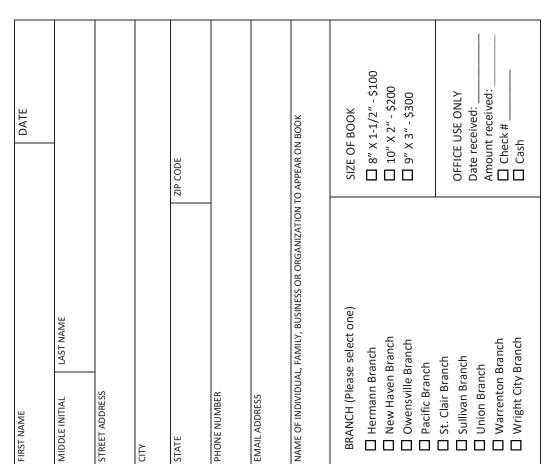
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Scenic Regional Library Foundation Donor Wall "Book" Order Form



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



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