



# Community Read

Spring 2024

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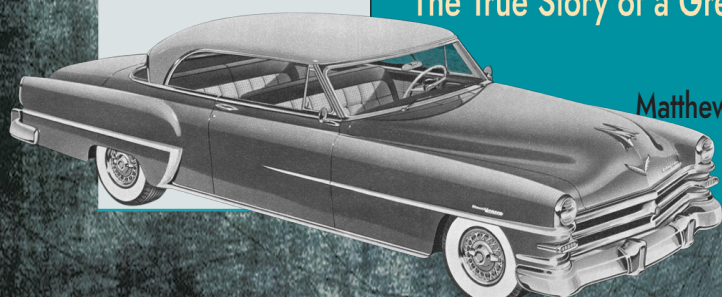
One of the Best Books of the Year – *Washington Post*



## HARRY TRUMAN'S *Excellent Adventure*

The True Story of a Great American Road Trip

Matthew Algeo



An Entire Community Reading & Discussing One Book



# Give 'Em Hell, Harry

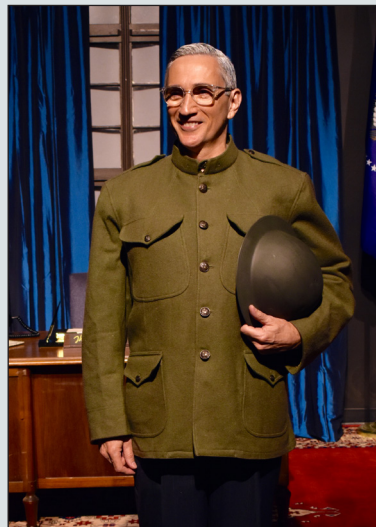
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YOUNG ADULT

Clifton Truman Daniel, grandson of Harry S. Truman, will kick off the annual Community Read with a theatrical performance of *Give 'Em Hell, Harry*.

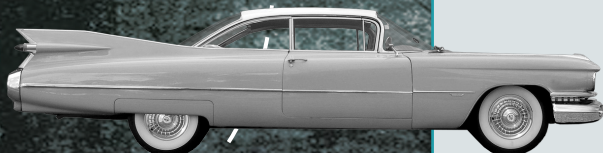
- Friday, March 1, 7pm | *East Central College, Anglin Performing Arts Center, Multipurpose Building, 1964 Prairie Dell Rd., Union, MO 63084*



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This one-man show written by Samuel Gallu, is a faithful and often humorous portrayal of President Harry S. Truman's life and presidency. It spans his childhood, his "political apprenticeship" as a judge in Jackson County, MO, his years in the US Senate and his momentous two terms as President. Daniel took on the role in October 2017, marking the first time in history a US President would be portrayed onstage by a direct descendant in this case, his oldest grandson.



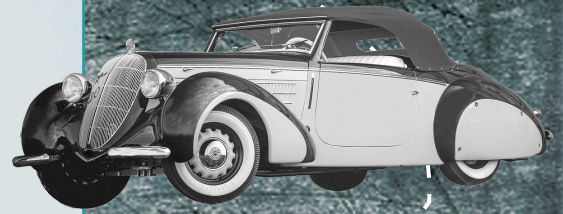


# Food of the Truman Era

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Suzanne Corbett award-winning writer and food historian will guide you through culinary trends of the Truman-era in Missouri.

- Tuesday, March 12, 6pm | *Warrenton*
- Wednesday, March 13, 6pm | *Union*
- Thursday, March 14, 6pm | *Hermann*

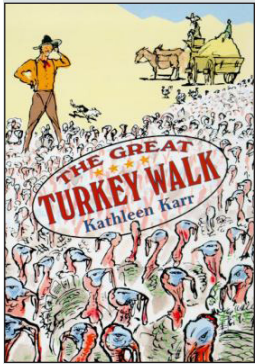


# Great Turkey Walk Escape Room

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Can you escape to deliver the turkeys on time?

- Tuesday, March 5, 6pm-8pm | *Union*
- Wednesday, March 6, 3pm-4pm | *Wright City*
- Monday, March 11, 6pm-8pm | *St. Clair*
- Thursday, March 14, 6pm-8pm | *Sullivan*
- Tuesday, March 19, 6pm-8pm | *Hermann*
- Wednesday, March 20, 6pm-8pm | *Warrenton*
- Saturday, March 23, 1pm-4pm | *Washington Public Library*
- Monday, March 25, 6pm-8pm | *Pacific*
- Tuesday, March 26, 6pm-8pm | *New Haven*
- Thursday, March 28, 6pm-8pm | *Owensville*



# Historic Missouri Roadsides

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Author, Bill Hart, will take you on a road trip presentation through Missouri's small town histories, natural attractions, and local amenities.

- Saturday, March 9, 2pm | *Warrenton*
- Saturday, March 16, 2pm | *Washington Public Library*
- Saturday, March 23, 2pm | *St. Clair*





# I Scream, You Scream, We All Scream for Ice Cream!

YOUNG ADULT

Make homemade ice cream with us and learn some ways to make it at home, even if you don't have an ice cream maker.

- Wednesday, March 13, 2pm | *Wright City*
- Tuesday, March 26, 4pm | *St. Clair*
- Thursday, March 28, 6pm | *Union*

## Missouri Turkeys

ALL AGES

Join Emily from the Mastodon State Historic Site to learn about the wild turkeys that call Missouri home.

- Tuesday, March 5, 6pm | *Pacific*

## Number 9 Coal

ADULT

Enjoy the musical stylings of Number 9 Coal as they perform a mixture of old time, bluegrass, country, and rock music.

- Thursday, March 7, 6pm | *Pacific*
- Tuesday, March 12, 6pm | *New Haven*
- Monday, March 25, 6pm | *Sullivan*
- Thursday, March 28, 6pm | *Wright City*

## Ozark Bourbon Distilling

ADULT, 21+

Micro-distillery owner, Jon Downard, will guide audiences through the distilling process the "old-fashioned way" and explain why it makes all the difference.

- Thursday, March 7, 6pm | *Union*
- Tuesday, March 12, 6pm | *Sullivan*
- Thursday, March 21, 6pm | *Owensville*
- Tuesday, March 26, 6pm | *Washington Public Library*

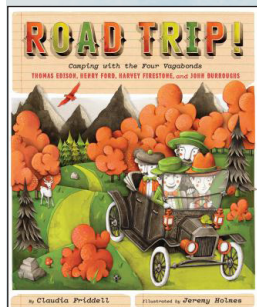




# Road Trip: Kids Club

## CHILDREN

Get ready for spring and summer road trips! We'll be reading *Road Trip* by Claudia Friddell then painting and making car games.



- Monday, March 4, 4pm | *Sullivan*
- Saturday, March 9, 1:30pm | *Union*
- Monday, March 11, 3:30pm | *Hermann*
- Thursday, March 14, 3:30pm | *St. Clair*
- Thursday, March 14, 4:30pm | *Owensville*
- Monday, March 18, 6pm | *Pacific*
- Wednesday, March 20, 4pm | *New Haven*
- Wednesday, March 20, 4pm | *Washington Public Library*
- Thursday, March 21, 5pm | *Warrenton*
- Friday, March 22, 4pm | *Wright City*

# Road Trip Tips and Tricks

## ADULT

Join Sarah Newbanks from The Explorer Travel Co as she discusses how to plan the perfect family road trip without breaking the bank. Learn all the things to see, do - and pack - for the perfect trip.

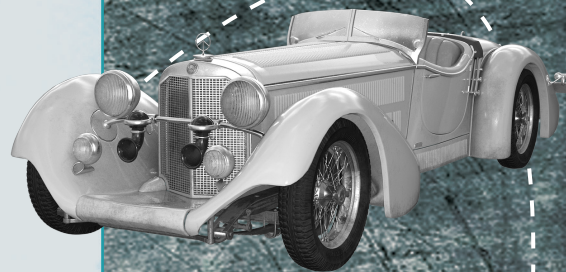
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- Tuesday, March 19, 6pm | *Wright City*
- Tuesday, March 26, 6pm | *Sullivan*
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# Super Friends Talking Turkey

## CHILDREN

Gather your friends to join kids' comedian Dennis Porter for interactive, improvisational fun. We will create and perform stories, including *The Great Turkey Walk*.

- Wednesday, March 20, 3pm | *Wright City*
- Wednesday, March 20, 6:30pm | *Union*
- Thursday, March 21, 4pm | *Sullivan*
- Thursday, March 21, 7pm | *Hermann*





# Travel Map Crafts

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Create your own travel journal, coordinating pencil, bookmark, and vacation fund jar using olds maps.

- Tuesday, March 5, 6pm | *Hermann*
- Tuesday, March 5, 6pm | *St. Clair*
- Tuesday, March 5, 6pm | *Warrenton*
- Thursday, March 7, 6pm | *Sullivan*
- Thursday, March 7, 6pm | *Wright City*
- Tuesday, March 12, 6pm | *Owensville*
- Thursday, March 14, 6pm | *New Haven*
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- Thursday, March 14, 6pm | *Warrenton*
- Monday, March 18, 6pm | *St. Clair*
- Tuesday, March 19, 6:30pm | *Washington Public Library*
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## Trivia Night

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Join an evening of trivia with questions themed to presidents, road trips, automobiles, and more.

- Thursday, March 7, 5:30pm | *St. Clair*
- Friday, March 8, 6pm | *Washington Public Library*
- Monday, March 18, 5:30pm | *Union*
- Tuesday, March 19, 5:30pm | *Warrenton*
- Tuesday, March 26, 5:30pm | *Owensville*
- Tuesday, March 26, 5:30pm | *Hermann*
- Thursday, March 28, 5:30pm | *Pacific*

## Truman the Human

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Educator and historian, Tom Bennett will discuss the extraordinary life of the ordinary man, Harry S. Truman.

- Tuesday, March 5, 6pm | *Owensville*
- Thursday, March 7, 6pm | *New Haven*
- Monday, March 11, 6pm | *Union*
- Tuesday, March 12, 6pm | *Hermann*
- Thursday, March 14, 6pm | *Wright City*
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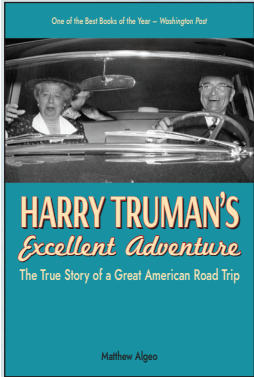




# Book Discussions

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Join in the conversation to discuss the book's themes and ideas with others in your community.



- Thursday, March 7, 11am | *Owensville*
- Thursday, March 7, 5:30pm | *Warrenton*
- Monday, March 11, 10am | *Washington Public Library*
- Tuesday, March 12, 6pm | *Pacific*
- Wednesday, March 13, 10am | *Pacific*
- Tuesday, March 19, 6pm | *Sullivan*
- Tuesday, March 19, 6pm | *Owensville*
- Wednesday, March 20, 2:30pm | *Hermann*
- Wednesday, March 20, 6:30pm | *Washington Public Library*
- Thursday, March 21, 2pm | *St. Clair*
- Thursday, March 21, 6pm | *St. Clair*
- Thursday, March 21, 6pm | *New Haven*
- Thursday, March 21, 6pm | *Union*
- Tuesday, March 26, 1pm | *East Central College Library*
- Wednesday, March 27, 2pm | *Warrenton*
- Wednesday, March 27, 5pm | *Wright City*
- Wednesday, March 27, 5:30pm | *East Central College Library*

## Meet Matthew Algeo

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YOUNG ADULT

Author and award-winning journalist, Matthew Algeo, will take audiences through his experience researching and writing about Harry S. Truman. A book signing with the author will follow.

- Wednesday, April 3, 6pm | *Union*
- Thursday, April 4, 6pm | *Warrenton*





### Administration

251 Union Plaza Dr.  
636-583-0652  
Mon-Fri: 8am-4:30pm  
Sat/Sun: Closed  
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### Hermann

123-A Bavarian Hills Blvd.  
573-486-2024  
Sun: Closed  
Mon/Wed/Fri: 9am-6pm  
Tues/Thurs: 9am-8pm  
Sat: 9am-5pm  
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### New Haven

200 Douglas St.  
573-237-2189  
Sun: Closed  
Mon/Wed/Fri: 9am-6pm  
Tues/Thurs: 9am-8pm  
Sat: 9am-5pm  
f newhavenlibrary

### Owensville

503 S. Olive St.  
573-437-2188  
Sun: Closed  
Mon/Wed/Fri: 9am-6pm  
Tues/Thurs: 9am-8pm  
Sat: 9am-5pm  
f owensvillebranch

### Pacific

111 Lamar Parkway  
636-257-2712  
Sun: Closed  
Mon/Tues/Thurs: 9am-8pm  
Wed/Fri: 9am-6pm  
Sat: 9am-5pm  
f pacificbranch

### St. Clair

515 E. Springfield Rd.  
636-629-2546  
Sun: Closed  
Mon/Tues/Thurs: 9am-8pm  
Wed/Fri: 9am-6pm  
Sat: 9am-5pm  
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### Sullivan

525 Cumberland Way  
573-468-4372  
Sun: Closed  
Mon/Tues/Thurs: 9am-8pm  
Wed/Fri: 9am-6pm  
Sat: 9am-5pm  
f sullivanlibrary

### Union

251 Union Plaza Dr.  
636-583-3224  
Sun: Closed  
Mon-Thurs: 9am-8pm  
Fri: 9am-6pm  
Sat: 9am-5pm  
f unionlibrary

### Warrenton

912 S. Hwy. 47  
636-456-3321  
Sun: Closed  
Mon-Thurs: 9am-8pm  
Fri: 9am-6pm  
Sat: 9am-5pm  
f warrentonbranch

### Wright City

60 Wildcat Dr.  
636-384-1136  
Sun: Closed  
Mon/Tues/Thurs: 9am-8pm  
Wed/Fri: 9am-6pm  
Sat: 9am-5pm  
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### East Central College

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Union, MO 63084  
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### Washington Public Library

410 Lafayette St.  
636-390-1070  
Sun: 12pm-4pm  
Mon-Thurs: 8am-8pm  
Fri: 8am-6pm  
Sat: 9am-5pm  
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IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT AGAIN  
A SMILING FORMER PRESIDENT HARRY TRUMAN DRIVES  
HIS BIG BLACK SEDAN OUT OF THE WALDORF-ASTORIA  
HOTEL GARAGE IN NEW YORK JULY 5 AS HE AND MRS.  
TRUMAN (BESIDE HIM) SET OUT FOR INDEPENDENCE,  
MO., AND HOME. DAUGHTER MARGARET (PARTLY HIDDEN),  
IN REAR SEAT, WAS DROPPED OFF AT HER NEW YORK  
HOTEL. TRUMAN TOLD NEWSMEN THAT HIS NEW YORK  
VISIT CONSTITUTED "A VERY HAPPY AND SATISFACTORY  
WEEK."  
HARRY S. TRUMAN

