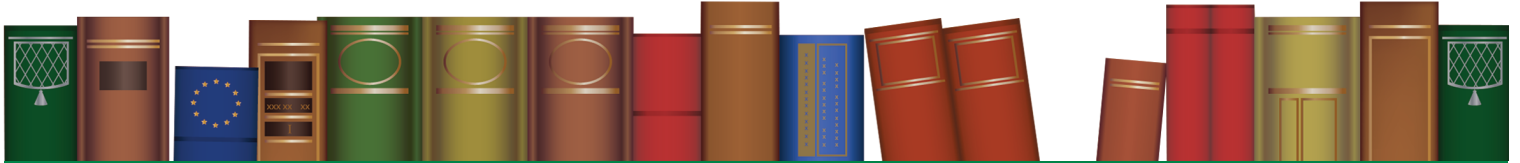




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# Scenic Regional Library NEWSLETTER

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## *Give 'Em Hell, Harry Huge Success - Many Programs to Follow*

The Community Read had a successful kick-off on Friday, March 1, as a full house gathered at East Central College to watch Clifton Truman Daniel portray his grandfather, Harry S. Truman, in a one-man theatrical performance of the play "Give 'Em Hell, Harry."

Approximately 480 people attended the free play, which was written by Samuel Gallu and was released in 1975. Throughout the evening, Daniel took the audience on a faithful and humorous journey through Harry S. Truman's life and presidency, spanning his childhood, his "political apprenticeship" as a judge in Jackson County, MO, his years in the U.S. Senate, and his momentous two terms as President.

The performance was paid for through a \$5,000 LSTA Education Presenter Grant awarded to Scenic Regional Library from the State Library.

The goal of the Community Read is to have as many people reading and discussing the same book at the same time. "Harry Truman's Excellent Adventure: The True Story of a Great American Road Trip" by Matthew Algeo is this year's title.

Throughout March, the library and its partners will present 90 free programs and book discussions in the three-county Community Read area (Gasconade, Franklin, and Warren). The programming will conclude with a visit from author and award-winning journalist Matthew Algeo, who will take audiences through his experience researching and writing about Harry S. Truman. A book signing with the author will follow. Algeo will speak at the Union branch on Wednesday, April 3, at 6 pm and at the Warrenton branch on Thursday, April 4, at 6 pm.

To view the full program guide, visit us online at [thiscommunityreads.org](https://thiscommunityreads.org).



## Meet the Author Matthew Algeo

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Wednesday, April 3, 6pm | Union  
RSVP: [bit.ly/AlgeoUN](https://bit.ly/AlgeoUN)

Thursday, April 4, 6pm | Warrenton  
RSVP: [bit.ly/AlgeoWR](https://bit.ly/AlgeoWR)

*This project is supported by the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Missouri State Library, a division of the Office of the Secretary of State.*



## Circulation Coordinator Diane Disbro Retiring April 17



The library's Circulation Coordinator, Diane Disbro, is retiring on April 17th, 2024, after 18 years of service with the system. Ms. Disbro started at the library in 2006 when she was hired as a library assistant in Union. She was promoted to branch manager of the Union branch in 2012, and was promoted to Circulation Coordinator in 2014.

Throughout her time at the library, Ms. Disbro has served on multiple committees and boards, including being the Chair of the Missouri Library Association Awards Committee in 2016, a Missouri Evergreen Circulation Committee member, and a member of the Missouri Evergreen Executive Board. She has also presented at several library conferences and has created and taught several procedures used by library personnel. The library wishes her a happy retirement and good luck in her future endeavors.

## Library Advocacy Day

On February 6, librarians and library board members from around the state visited Jefferson City for Missouri Library Advocacy Day to meet with their local legislators to advocate for state library funding. State funding for libraries includes direct state aid, MOREnet funding (which subsidizes the library's internet costs), and Athletes & Entertainers Tax funding. The Missouri annual budget is usually approved by the legislature in early May.

Director Steve Campbell, Union branch manager Renny Canaday, Sullivan branch manager Kecia Philpot, Wright City branch manager Kayleigh Baryo, Hermann branch manager Tiffany Richards, and New Haven branch manager/Branch Coverage Supervisor Dianne Accola represented Scenic Regional Library at the event and met with local legislators, including State Senator Ben Brown and State Representatives Mike McGirl and Jeff Myers.



From left, Kayleigh Baryo, Rep. Jeff Myers, and Tiffany Richards.



From left, Dianne Accola, Sen. Ben Brown, and Renny Canaday.



From left, Rep. Mike McGirl, Kecia Philpot, and Renny Canaday.



Warrenton branch patrons had a fun evening making crafts using old maps and stamps.



Kecia, from the Sullivan branch, visited Sullivan High School to be a part of their career fair.

## Mobile App Update

The Missouri Evergreen mobile app now allows patrons to view their check-out history. The app is available for both Apple and Android devices and can be found in the app stores by searching for Missouri Evergreen. To enable and view check-out history, touch the clock encircled by an arrow in the top right corner of the Items Checked Out screen. The history of items checked out will begin to be kept after the feature is enabled. Patrons who have already enabled Check Out History in their online account do not need to enable it in the app. It is only necessary to enable the feature in either the app or the online account.



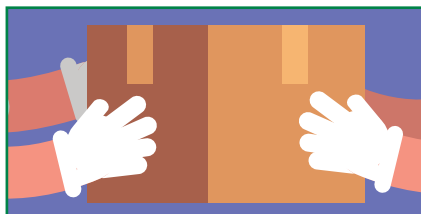
## Election Information from League of Women Voters™ Available at Branches



The League of Women Voters® will provide the library with nonpartisan informational pamphlets for its Franklin County branches for the upcoming election, which will contain pertinent election information. The pamphlets will be available from Friday, March 15, to the day of the General Election on Tuesday, April 2. 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. For more information about the League of Women Voters, visit [www.lwv.org](http://www.lwv.org).

## Library Seeks Book Sale 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.



## Follow Us on TikTok

Patrons can now follow Scenic Regional Library on TikTok! The library launched its new account on March 15 and will use the social media platform to publicize its services, collection, and programs at branches. The new addition marks the fourth social media account for the library, which also has Facebook pages for every branch, an Instagram account, and a YouTube channel.

**Follow our new TikTok page @scenicregionallibrary!**

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Mark your calendars! Scenic Regional Library's spring book sale will soon be returning! From Thursday, May 16 to Saturday, May 18, 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 sale books for each hour they help. A special preview for Friends of the Library members will be on Wednesday, May 15, 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.



*Students and staff from Gerald Elementary took a tour of the Owensville branch.*



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## Itching to go Fishing?

Are you yearning for Spring to arrive and need an activity to enjoy in the upcoming nice weather? March 1 marked the first day of the Missouri Trout Fishing Season, and all branches of Scenic Regional Library offer fishing poles available for checkout! The Missouri Department of Conservation provides the poles to allow patrons to learn about the joys of fishing without the hassle or expense of purchasing equipment. A fishing pole can be checked out for one week and must be returned to the branch from which it was checked out. For more information, call your local branch.



## Hermann Branch Raffles Quilt for Grave Cleaning Program



The Hermann branch of Scenic Regional Library will sell tickets to raffle off a custom-made, literary-themed quilt to help benefit the library's grave cleaning program in Gasconade County.

The tickets for the king-size quilt, donated by Theresa Black, will be sold for one for \$1 or six for \$5. Tickets will be available from March 15 to April 15 and can be purchased at the Hermann branch.

The library plans to begin a grave cleaning program for Franklin, Warren, and Gasconade Counties in the spring. Every month, each county's respective club will meet at local cemeteries and clean gravestones. The idea stemmed from a TikTok trend, and libraries nationwide have started their own programs.

The funds from the quilt fundraiser will go toward buying supplies for the program in Gasconade County, including the needed chemicals to clean the headstones, gloves, plastic putty knives, and more. All supplies will be provided for participants.

## Last Month's Most Popular Authors and Books

For the third month in a row, *Verity* by Colleen Hoover was the book with the highest number of circulations. The other most popular books were *Sparring Partners* and *The Boys from Biloxi* by John Grisham, *Better Off Dead* by Lee Child, and *The Four Winds* and *The Great Alone* by Kristin Hannah. Patrons may join Hold Groups to have holds automatically placed on new books by these authors.



## Credit Card Payments Now Accepted at Service Desk

Scenic Regional Library can now accept credit card payments from patrons for bills on their accounts. The circulation desk will accept credit card payments for the following: damaged or lost items, missing pieces, nonresident fees, passport fees owed to the library, merchandise, and gallery purchases.

Credit card payments will not be accepted for copies, faxes, book sales, replacement library cards, or other small amounts unrelated to bills.

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*The Pacific branch hosted their monthly Bingo Night and gave away books as prizes!*



*A chess expert came to the Hermann branch to teach strategy during Chess Club.*



## 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 – \$150
- 10" x 2" book – \$250
- 9" x 3" book – \$350

Visit [www.scenicregional.org/foundation/](http://www.scenicregional.org/foundation/) 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.**



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

FIRST NAME		DATE	
MIDDLE INITIAL	LAST NAME		
STREET ADDRESS			
CITY			
STATE	ZIP CODE		
PHONE NUMBER			
EMAIL ADDRESS			
NAME OF INDIVIDUAL, FAMILY, BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION TO APPEAR ON BOOK			
BRANCH (Please select one)		SIZE OF BOOK	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hermann Branch		<input type="checkbox"/> 8" X 1-1/2" - \$150	
<input type="checkbox"/> New Haven Branch		<input type="checkbox"/> 10" X 2" - \$250	
<input type="checkbox"/> Owensville Branch		<input type="checkbox"/> 9" X 3" - \$350	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Branch			
<input type="checkbox"/> St. Clair Branch			
<input type="checkbox"/> Sullivan Branch			
<input type="checkbox"/> Union Branch			
<input type="checkbox"/> Warrenton Branch			
<input type="checkbox"/> Wright City Branch			
OFFICE USE ONLY			
Date received: _____			
Amount received: _____			
<input type="checkbox"/> Check # _____			
<input type="checkbox"/> Cash			

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



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## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024 Membership Year

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

If this membership is for you, please provide <b>your</b> information; if this membership is a gift for someone else, please provide <b>their</b> information:			
FIRST NAME		MIDDLE INITIAL	
LAST NAME			
STREET ADDRESS		CITY	
STATE		ZIP CODE	
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BRANCH AFFILIATION (Please select one)		LEVEL OF MEMBERSHIP	
Friends of the Hermann Branch <input type="checkbox"/>		Bronze – \$10 <input type="checkbox"/>	
Friends of the New Haven Branch <input type="checkbox"/>		Silver – \$25 <input type="checkbox"/>	
Friends of the Owensville Branch <input type="checkbox"/>		Ruby – \$50 <input type="checkbox"/>	
Friends of the Pacific Branch <input type="checkbox"/>		Gold – \$100 <input type="checkbox"/>	
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Friends of the Sullivan Branch <input type="checkbox"/>		Diamond* – \$500 <input type="checkbox"/>	
Friends of the Union Branch <input type="checkbox"/>			
Friends of the Warrenton Branch <input type="checkbox"/>			
Friends of the Wright City Branch <input type="checkbox"/>			
		*Lifetime Membership	
WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP? (Select all which apply)		Office Use Only	
Volunteer at the Fall Book Sale <input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> New Application	
Volunteer at the Spring Book Sale <input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	
Volunteer at other events <input type="checkbox"/>		Date Received:	
Volunteer at my local branch <input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> Check # _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Cash	
Serve on the local Friends of the Library's <input type="checkbox"/>		Amount Received:	
Governing and Planning Committee <input type="checkbox"/>			

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 Dr., Union, MO 63084

*Membership dues and contributions are tax deductible.*