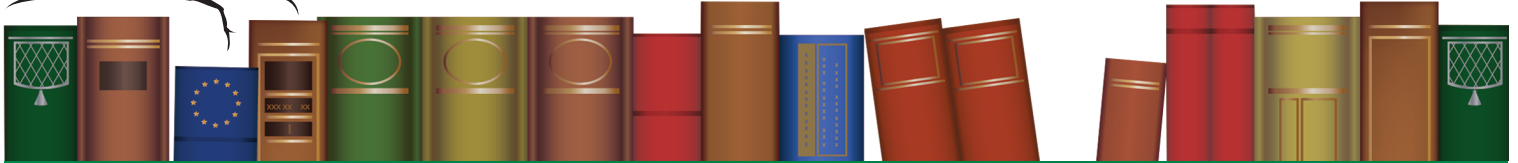





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A monthly publication from your local library!



FALL

Donate Your Used Books, DVDs and CDs to the
SCENIC REGIONAL LIBRARY

BOOK SALE

AT EACH BRANCH LOCATION


Thursday, Nov. 2: 9am-8pm
Friday, Nov. 3: 9am-6pm
Saturday, Nov. 4: 9am-5pm

Friends of the Library Preview!
Wednesday, November 1, 5pm-6pm

All Friends of the Library members receive a 10% discount at the book sale and may attend the preview event.

Hardcover Books, DVDs & CDs...\$1.00

Paperbacks, VHS, Records, & Cassettes...50¢

 **Call: 636-583-0652 for more information.**
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Foundation Trivia Night in Owensville

The Scenic Regional Library Foundation will host a Halloween and horror-themed trivia fundraiser at the Owensville Lions Club on Friday, October 20. The prize for the winning table is \$240.

The event will cost \$20 per person or \$160 per table. Payment can be made by cash or check at any branch, at the door, or via Venmo to @ScenicRegLibrary-Foundation.

During the event, a 50/50 raffle, various games, and an adult costume contest will be held. The prizes for the costume contest will be \$100 for first place, \$75 for second place, and a \$50 third place prize for the best-decorated table.

To register for the event, visit bit.ly/SRLtrivia or scan the QR code below. Bring your own snacks and beverages. The Scenic Regional Library Foundation is a 501c3 organization; all ticket purchases are tax deductible.

A fundraiser for
SCENIC REGIONAL LIBRARY
FOUNDATION

All branches of Scenic Regional Library will be closed Saturday, November 11 for Veteran's Day; Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25 to celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday.

Sorry We're
CLOSED

A special thank you to those who sponsored the Fundraiser!

Grayson & Grayson LLC
First State Community Bank
CashSaver Cost Plus Food Outlet
Maries County Bank
White Mule Winery and Bed & Breakfast
Shelter Insurance - Kyle Meyer, Agent
El Tapatio Mexican Restaurant
American Family Insurance - Theresa Ditto, Agent
Lakeside Book Company
Maciejewski Plumbing, Heating, and Air Conditioning
RE/MAX Exclusive Properties - Nan Belloir, Owner/Broker
Laura and Tom Hengstenberg
Hinson Tax Service
Auto Care Express
Jost Tire
Gottenstroeter Funeral Home

Buy tickets at:
bit.ly/SRLtrivia



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St. Clair patrons had the opportunity to create needle-felted pumpkins to take home and use in their Fall decor.



Everyone enjoyed the book "People are Wild" by Margaux Meganck and made memory cards at Owensville's storytime.



Sun Smith-Forêt spoke at the Hermann Gallery about her artistic practice that has encompassed textile construction, quilts, sculpture, and knotted and woven functional and amuletic objects.

Old Administration Building Sold

The former Library Administration Building, located at 304 Hawthorne Drive in Union, was sold to Emmendorger Exteriors LLC for \$330,000. The building was renovated in 2015 and served as the library's administrative offices until 2019. The library closed on the deal on September 29.



LIBRARY FIRE DRILL

The library will conduct a systemwide fire drill on Monday, October 30, at 2:00 p.m. The public will be asked to exit the buildings and remain in the parking lot until given the "all clear" signal. The mandatory drills will last about 15 minutes and include all branches and the administration building. Local fire districts will be involved in the drills.

**-ALL BRANCHES-
 Monday, October 30
 2:00 PM**



Take a Survey to Enter to Win Swag Bundle

Please help Scenic Regional Library by participating in a marketing survey. Participants will be entered to win a library swag bundle. Take the survey by visiting forms.gle/NYVBo3e89wJMuZ7k8.



Staff Spotlight: Sarah Marketing Specialist, Administration



How long have you worked for Scenic

I began working at Scenic in 2017 at the St. Clair branch as an adult programmer but left in February 2020 to pursue career opportunities closer to my degree. In 2021, they created the Marketing Specialist position, and I immediately applied. I have been in this position for almost two years now.

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

I earned a double major degree in Public Relations and Advertising and Mass Communications with an emphasis in Media Management and Sales from Lindenwood University in 2016. When I left the library in 2020, I worked as a reporter for the St. Clair section of The Missourian, and right before I began my job as the marketing specialist, I worked at a boutique in St. Clair.

What made you want to work in a library?

I am a small-town girl through and through, and I love being involved in our communities! The library is an invaluable resource to all three counties we serve.

What do you wish more people knew about the library?

We have so much to offer! You name it, we probably have it - and I'm not just talking about books! We have FREE digital streaming services for eBooks, eAudiobooks, music, movies, etc.; an extensive collection of genealogy databases; Pronunicator for learning a foreign language; live online tutoring; online veteran assistance; and much more!

What is your favorite part of the job? Why?

My favorite part of the job is informing people of an item or service they have yet to learn we have. Believe it or not, it never gets old to hear someone say, "You have cake pans and fishing poles?!"

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

I usually have a fiction book and a nonfiction book going simultaneously. I just finished reading *The In-Between: Unforgettable Encounters During Life's Final Moments* by Hadley Vlahos, RN, and *No Exit* by Taylor Adams. Both were excellent reads.

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

I wish I could say I would take my favorite classic, *Anne of Green Gables*, but in reality, I would probably take *The Almost Sisters* by Joshilyn Jackson. It's an endearing novel that will make you laugh and cry in the same sitting, and I like to read it when I'm stressed - and I can't think of anything more stressful than being stuck on a desert island!

Any hobbies or interests outside the library?

My favorite thing to do right now is laying in my hammock on my back porch with the tiki torches lit. But when it's raining, I like to spend time with my husband and our dogs and cat, usually playing a board game. I also enjoy hiking, kayaking, and traveling when I'm able!

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

Visit us in person or at scenicregional.org to see everything we offer. I know you'll be surprised if it has been a while since you've been!

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Wanderlust Chocolate came to the Union branch and taught patrons all about the art of chocolate-making.



Wright City hosted "Frightfully Fun Craft Night" at the branch. Patrons created spooky -fun ghosts for the holiday season.



New York Times best-selling true crime author, Charles Bosworth, came to the Warrenton branch and discussed several of his books, all based on local crimes.

Union Rotary Donates Color Printer to Union Branch

The Union Rotary Club has donated a color printer to the Union branch of Scenic Regional Library for patron use. The printer was purchased with funds from a \$1,550 Community Assistance Program (CAP) grant. The printer was installed on October 3. Color prints cost \$0.35 cents per page.

Rotary is a service organization consisting of a global network of 1.4 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change across the globe.

The library plans to purchase color printers/copiers for all branches in 2024.



CloudLibrary Discontinuation

Effective October 31, the library will no longer offer CloudLibrary for e-books and e-audiobooks. The titles in CloudLibrary will be available on Libby beginning in mid-November.

Blood Pressure Home Monitoring Kits Now Circulating

Scenic Regional Library and the American Heart Association have collaborated to add Blood Pressure Home Monitoring Kits to Scenic Regional Library's collection of non-traditional items. Each kit contains a blood pressure cuff and monitor, a blood pressure log, and an information pamphlet.

The library received 20 kits in total. The Union and Warrenton branches received three kits, and all others received two. The kits can be checked out for 28 days.

To place a kit on hold, visit us at bit.ly/3tdxPVI.



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American Heart Association.

Live Fierce™
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Library Provides Drop Off Locations for Warners' Warm-Up Coat Drive

WARNERS' WARM-UP

This year's two-week collection period will begin on October 23 and continue until November 5.

Former St. Louis Rams quarterback Kurt Warner and his wife Brenda launched the coat drive in 2001 as a one-day drive before a Rams game. It has evolved into a two-week St. Louis metropolitan area-wide effort with hundreds of drop-off locations on both sides of the river. The Warners' Warm-up Coat Drive collects over 15,000 coats each year.

The library's Franklin County branches will serve as drop-off locations for this year's annual Warners' Warm-Up Coat Drive. The organization is requesting donations of new or gently used coats of all sizes—for men, women, and especially children.

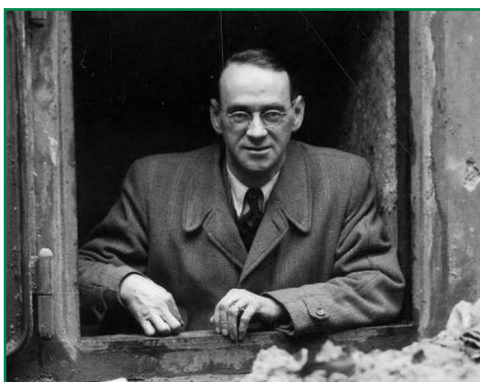
Teaming up to keep the Bi-State warm since 2001

The Life of Carl Lutz Program

The Warrenton branch of Scenic Regional Library and the St. Louis Kaplan Feldman Holocaust Museum will host a program about the life of Carl Lutz, a former student at Central Wesleyan College in Warrenton, on Tuesday, November 28 at 6 p.m., at the Warrenton branch.

Lutz is highlighted in episode three of Ken Burns' newest acclaimed documentary, *The U.S. and the Holocaust*, and was also featured on *Nine PBS on Living in St. Louis for Holocaust Remembrance Day* in honor of the anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising.

Lutz arrived in Warrenton from Illinois to study the ministry. He changed his mind about the ministry and became a diplomat for his native Switzerland. He is credited with saving more than 62,000 Jewish people from deportation to Nazi concentration camps as he served as the Swiss Vice-Consul in Budapest, Hungary, from 1942 through the end of World War II. It is considered the largest civilian rescue mission during the Holocaust.



Warren County Canned Food Drive



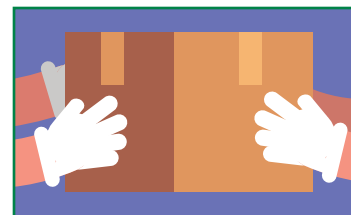
Throughout November, the Warren County Democratic Central Committee will host a canned food collection drive at the



Warrenton and Wright City branches of Scenic Regional Library. The donations are being collected for AGAPE, which feeds over 1,400 people each month. Donation boxes will be set up in each branch's entryways.

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.





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/ 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



SCENIC REGIONAL LIBRARY

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 your information; if this membership is a gift for someone else, please provide their information:			
FIRST NAME		MIDDLE INITIAL	
LAST NAME			
STREET ADDRESS		CITY	
STATE		ZIP CODE	
PHONE NUMBER		EMAIL ADDRESS	
If this membership is a gift for someone else, please provide your information:			
FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL	LAST NAME	
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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.