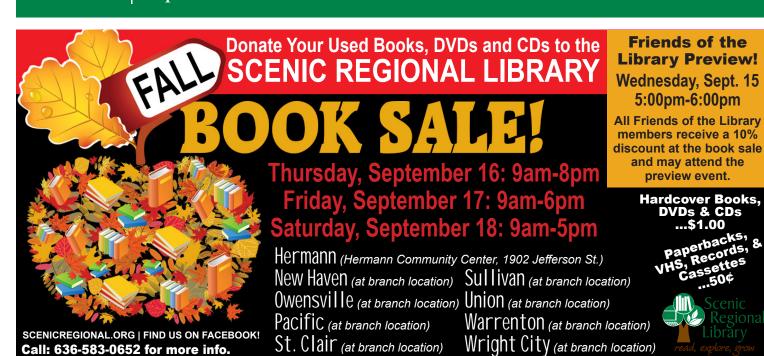
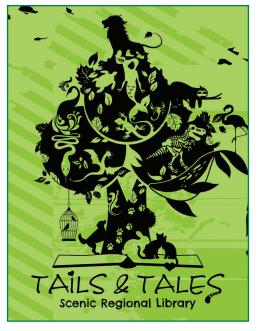


# read, explore, grow Scenic Regional Library NEWSLETTER



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# Big Rebound for Summer Reading in 2021

After very low Summer Reading Program participation last year due to COVID, the library saw big increases this summer. 1,501 kids participated in the program--a whopping 65% increase over last year. Numbers were up at every branch, with one location seeing a 120% increase.

A majority of the kids who registered followed through and completed the program. Across Missouri, normal completion rates for the Summer Reading Program hover between 30% and 40%. Over the past few years, Scenic Regional has been experiencing completion rates consistently around 43%. However, in 2021, an astonishing 55% of participants completed the Summer Reading Program—they read a total of at least 8 hours, and picked up their free book and entry into the end-of-summer prize drawings.

This year, all the Summer Reading programming was virtual. Fortunately, for those who may have missed some of these great programs for kids, teens and adults, they can all still be found archived on the Scenic Regional Library YouTube page at www.youtube.com/scenicregionallibrary.

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## New Mobile Makerspace Features Sewing Machines



Sullivan branch employees Jerri (left) and Corrine (right) pose with the library's new sewing machine mobile makerspace.



The library has launched a mobile makerspace with the purchase of eight Baby Lock Zest sewing machines. The makerspace will travel from branch to branch over the next year. They will be used to offer basic sewing classes for all ages, as well as open lab times throughout each month. During the open lab times, the machines are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Patrons who are under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult during lab times. The library provides basic notions, black, white, navy, gray, cream thread, scissors (fabric, pinking, thread nipper), pins, fabric markers, tape measures, rulers, seam rippers, irons, and ironing pads.



A patron using a sewing machine at the Sullivan branch in August.

In August, the sewing machines were at the Sullivan branch, and they will be at the Pacific branch throughout the month of September. For more information about when the mobile makerspace will be visiting each branch, the upcoming class schedule and lab times are available at <a href="mailto:scenicregional.org/create">scenicregional.org/create</a>.

The sewing machines were purchased through a \$1,000 grant awarded by the Missouri Association of Community Arts Agencies (MACAA) in March 2021. MACAA is a "statewide service organization dedicated to strengthening Missouri's arts leaders and community arts agencies. MACAA has served communities, community arts agencies, community arts leaders and artists since 1979."



Scenic Regional Library's Assistant Director Megan Maurer was sworn in as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) on August 24 at the Franklin County Judicial Center in Union.

## Library Contributes to Bicentennial Time Capsule

I his year is the Missouri Bicentennial. As part of commemorating the event, the State Historical Society of Missouri and Saint Louis Ambassadors are creating a Bicentennial Time Capsule. The goal of the once-in-ageneration project is to collect items that document Missouri's past and present for future generations of Missourians. Non-profit organizations, businesses, and local and state government agencies were invited to contribute to the time capsule. Contributors were asked to submit three items: one to represent

capsule. Contributors were asked to submit three items: one to represent the past, one to represent the present, and a note to future Missourians.

The library recently sent an album full of photographs of its old and new library buildings, as well as two letters to future Missourians. Macee Jarvis, Union branch manager, spearheaded the project for the library and wrote the letter from the library. The library held a Time Capsule Writing Contest to obtain the second letter. Patrons were asked to write and submit letters to future Missourians; the winner would be sent to the time capsule. Eli Mure, adult programmer at the New Haven and Hermann branches, selected the winner—Natalie Tourville, a patron of the Sullivan branch.

The library submitted its contributions to the time capsule on August 18. The time capsule will be opened in 2046.

# Scenic Regional and St. Louis County Libraries Approve Borrowing Agreement

On August 24, the Scenic Regional Library Board of Trustees approved a borrowing agreement with St. Louis County Public Library. The St. Louis County Public Library Board of Trustees approved the agreement on August 16. The agreement, which is effective September 1, will allow the libraries to provide free cards to residents of each other's district.



St. Louis County residents living in Pacific will benefit greatly from the agreement. While some live in Pacific and the Pacific branch is their closest library, if they live across the county line in St. Louis County they have had to pay for a Scenic Regional card in the past. Now, the card is free. There are also many Scenic Regional residents, particularly in Franklin County, who live and work in St. Louis County and may benefit from the agreement.

St. Louis County Library will not allow their reciprocal borrowers from Scenic Regional Library access to their digital resources. Scenic Regional Library will allow its reciprocal borrowers full access to its digital resources.

Scenic Regional has similar agreements with Washington County Library, Crawford County Library, Missouri River Regional Library, Washington Public Library, and St. Charles City-County Library.

# Highway Patrol Finds New Home for Driver's Testing Center at Warrenton Branch

In August, the Missouri Highway
Patrol began operating their driver's test
center in Warrenton at Scenic Regional's
Warrenton branch. People can take the
written and driver's test at the branch every
Thursday. The written test is taken on laptop
computers in the branch's public meeting
room and driver's tests depart from the
parking lot. The Highway Patrol will also
soon begin using the branch's parking lot for
their parallel parking tests.

Previously, the test center had been housed at the County Government building and the firehouse in Warrenton. The library expects the Warrenton branch to be the testing center's permanent location.



Driver Examiner Mary Hollman, with the Missouri Highway Patrol, working at the driver's test center at the Warrenton branch.

If someone is interested in taking their driver's license test at the Warrenton testing center, the hours (every Thursday) are 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM (must be seated by 11:30 AM) and 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM (must be seated by 3:30 PM). For additional information, call 636-221-5269. The library opens at 9:00 AM.

## Secretary of State Visits Union Branch

On August 24, Secretary of State
Jay Ashcroft visited the Union branch to
present a check for \$30,000 to the library.
The check was a grant for e-books and
e-audiobooks awarded by the Missouri
State Library with American Rescue Plan
Act funds. The funds will be used to add
e-books and e-audiobooks to the library's
Overdrive and CloudLibrary platforms.

Secretary Ashcroft toured the Union branch during his visit. He also saw the branch's new musical instruments on the children's patio and the library's new mobile kitchen. Secretary Ashcroft originally visited the branch in 2019, when he was the keynote speaker at the new building's grand opening event.



Assistant Director Megan Maurer, Union branch manager Macee Jarvis, Union branch Children's Programmer Melody Hoag, Director Steve Campbell, and Secretary Ashcroft.



Secretary Ashcroft plays a musical instrument on the Union branch's children's patio.

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# Staff Spotlight: Marilee • Library Assistant, St. Clair



How long have you worked for Scenic?
I have worked at the St. Clair branch for 3 years.

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

I am a retired teacher. I taught at St. Joseph Institute for the Deaf my first three years. Then I taught at Missouri School for the Blind for two years. I was the Deaf Education Teacher at Ste. Genevieve for four years. I taught at St. Clair High School, as a Special Education Teacher, the last twenty-one years before retirement.

Has your experience as an educator helped you in your work as a Library Assistant?

My experience at the high school has definitely helped me with my job at the library. I often went into the school library and assisted our librarians.

What is your favorite part of the job? Why?

My favorite part of my job is helping our patrons. I love to interact with others and help them enjoy their visit to the library.

Do you have any special projects or extra responsibilities at the St. Clair branch? I do a lot of the weeding of books at our library. I help the Programmers whenever I can and participate in the adult programs.

What is your favorite program that you've helped with? What upcoming program are you most excited about and why? My favorite program that I've helped with is Jacquie's Spice of the Month club. I am really excited about helping with the sewing program coming up in December. I love to sew and I am part of a weekly quilting/crafting group. I'm really looking forward to helping out with the sewing crafts.

Any other hobbies or interests outside the library?

I love to read, cook and bake. Any kind of desserts are fun to make. (I also love to eat them!)

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

If I could only take one it would be my Bible because it's a necessity. If I could bring along one just for fun it would be The Hobbit.

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

I'd like people to know that the personnel at the St. Clair branch are like a family. We have a lot of fun together and we really love our patrons. (At least most of them!)



Frankie the Therapy Dog gives a young friend some snuggles while she visited with us virtually during Kids Club.



Warrenton patrons enjoyed learning how to grow veggies for their own salsa and then brought some home!



St. Clair's Picture Missouri display is up! Visit the branch and see if your picture made it.

# Library Accepting Bids for the New Hermann Branch

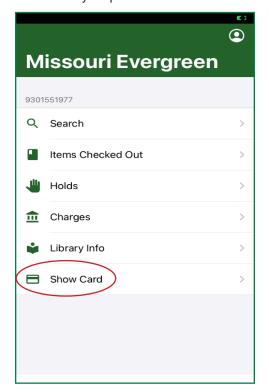
On August 18, the library went out for bid for the new Hermann branch. The bidding on the estimated \$2 million project will close on September 7. The library plans to begin construction in late September and open the new facility in late May 2022. The new branch will have a public meeting room, study rooms, outdoor patios, a children's play area, and a community art gallery. The Hermann Area Hospital will be leasing the other half of the 25,000 sq. ft. former Alco building from the library for a new medical clinic.

# Forget Your Library Card? Mobile App Feature Can Help!

Do you forget your library card a lot? If you have a Smartphone, you'll never need to carry your library card again. The library recently upgraded its barcode scanners at all locations to new "2D" scanners. These new scanners allow staff to scan a patron's library card directly from the Missouri Evergreen mobile app on your Smartphone.

If you don't have the mobile app, it's free and easy to download.

Visit <a href="https://scenicwashington.missourievergreen.org/">https://scenicwashington.missourievergreen.org/</a> and click "Get Mobile App" on the menu bar to download the Missouri Evergreen mobile app for free. Once you log into your account, simply click the "Show Card" feature and let the library staff scan the barcode on your phone.





## Congratulations!



Brothers Kameron and Kaleb Burton, who visit the Warrenton branch, both completed the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten reading challenge in August.



Eva Ringling, who visits the Warrenton branch, completed the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten reading challenge in August.

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#### **HERMANN** BRANCH

Call: 573-486-2024

Register for all in-person programs!

# ADULT PROGRAMS Book Bingo (Limit 8)

Tuesday, September 21, 2:00 pm-3:00 pm Join us for a fun-filled afternoon of Bingo! All winners will receive book prizes.

#### **BOOK CLUBS**

**Book Discussion Group (Limit 8)** 

Wednesday, September 15 at 4:30 pm The Cuckoo's Calling by Robert Galbraith.

#### Visit here for all Book Clubs:

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

#### KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Take & Make supplies at the library

#### **Preschool Storytime**

Every Thursday at 10:00 am

#### **Sleepy Storytime**

Last Thursday each month at 5:00 pm

#### Teen Program

2nd Saturday from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm 9/11: Geek Guild



We had a great turnout for Storytime at the St. Clair branch. Families listened to some fun books and then enjoyed a little time visiting with Miss Christy's lambs.

#### **NEW HAVEN BRANCH**

Call: 573-237-2189

Register for all in-person programs!

#### **FAMILY PROGRAMS**

**Book Bingo (Limit 16)** 

Thursday, September 10, 2:00 pm-3:00 pm Join us for a fun-filled afternoon of Bingo! All winners will receive book prizes.

#### Take-A-Ticket

Thursday, September 23, 10:00 am-3:00 pm Register for a 30-minute appointment to get help with your device.

#### **BOOK CLUBS**

New Haven branch (Limit 15)

Wednesday, September 22 at 5:00 pm When Time Stopped: A Memoir of My Father's War and What Remains by Ariana Neumann.

#### Visit here for all Book Clubs:

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

# KID & TEEN PROGRAMS Take & Make supplies at the library

Procedural Standing (Limit 12)

Preschool Storytime (Limit 12) Every Tuesday at 10:00 am 3rd Saturday of month at 10:00 am

## Off to the Balloon Races (Limit 15) Tuesday, September 14 at 4:00 pm

Balloon-themed games and crafts to celebrate the New Haven balloon race.



We celebrated the Missouri Bicentennial with our Union patrons making a Bluebird Bookmark on August 26.

#### **OWENSVILLE** BRANCH

Call: 573-437-2188

Register for all in-person programs!

#### ADULT PROGRAMS

#### **Seeds of the Month Club**

Every first Tuesday-ask for details! September seed: Spinach

#### Take-A-Ticket

Badani.

Thursday, September 2, 10:00 am-3:30 pm Register for a 30-minute appointment to get help with your device.

#### **BOOK CLUBS**

Tea Time Travelers' Book Club (Limit 16) Tuesday, September 21 at 6:00 pm The Storyteller's Secret, by Sejal

#### Visit here for all Book Clubs:

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

#### KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Take & Make supplies at the library **Preschool Storytime (Limit 16)**Every Wednesday at 10:00 am

#### Read, Build, & Play (Grades K-5) Saturday September 11 at 10:30 am Chalk Talk.



These young patrons celebrated their first day of school with their first library card. What a great day!

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## **PACIFIC** BRANCH

Call: 636-257-2712

Register for all in-person programs!

#### *ST. CLAIR* BRANCH

Call: 636-629-2546

Register for all in-person programs!

#### **SULLIVAN** BRANCH

Call: 573-468-4372

Register for all in-person programs!

#### ADULT PROGRAMS

Mahjong Club (Limit 12)

Every Monday from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

#### **Beginner's Sewing Project (Limit 8)**

Thursday, September 2 at 6:00 pm Make a pie carrier. Ages 18+.

#### Beginner's Sewing Project #2 (Limit 8)

Thursday, September 9 at 6:00 pm Make a pair of baby bloomers. Ages 18+.

#### **Open Sewing Labs**

Tuesdays: 9/7, 9/21 from 5 pm-7 pm Fridays: 9/3, 9/10, 9/24 from 10 am-1 pm Saturdays: 9/4, 9/11, 9/25 from 1 pm-4 pm

#### Sparkling Autumn Tree Craft (Limit 12)

Thursday, September 23 at 6:00 pm

#### BOOK CLUBS

#### The First Chapter Book Club (Limit 16)

Tuesday, September 14 at 6pm Love and Other Consolation Prizes by Jamie Ford.

#### The Next Chapter Book Club (Limit 16)

Wednesday, September 8 at 10 am It Happened at the Fair by Deeanne Gist.

#### Visit here for all Book Clubs:

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

#### KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Take & Make supplies at the library **Preschool Storytime (Limit 16)** Every Thursday at 10:00 am

#### Kids Club: Tote Bag (Limit 8)

Monday, September 13 at 6:00 pm Sew an Eric Carle-style tote bag.

#### ADULT PROGRAMS

Magazine Art (Limit 15)

Thursday, September 9 at 6:00 pm

#### Plarn Crochet (Limit 15)

Tuesday, September 21 at 6:00 pm Crochet plastic bags into purses. Please bring plastic grocery bags.

#### Spice of the Month Club: Hibiscus

Tuesday, September 28 at 6:00 pm

#### **BOOK CLUBS**

#### Third Thursdays Book Club

Thursday, August 19 at 6:00 pm A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman.

#### Visit here for all Book Clubs:

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

#### KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Take & Make supplies at the library Preschool Storytime (Limit 20) Every Thursday at 10:00 am



Congratulations, Lisa! She was the lucky recipient of the Coffee Basket from the Summer Reading Program drawing.

#### ADULT PROGRAMS

**Show-me Shadow Box Craft (Limit 16)** Tuesday, September 7 at 6:00 om Create a shadow box of Missouri items for the Bicentennial.

#### Take-A-Ticket

Wednsday, September 22, 10:00 am-3:30 pm Register for a 30-minute appointment to get help with your device.

#### BOOK CLUBS

As The Page Turns Book Club (Limit 16) Tuesday, September 21 at 6:00 pm The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time by Mark Haddon.

Visit here for all Book Clubs:

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

#### KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Take & Make supplies at the library Preschool Storytime (Limit 16) Every Tuesday at 10:00 am

Homeschool Group (Limit 16) Ahoy Mateys...It's a Pirate Party

Thursday, September 9 at 10:00 am Join us as we search for buried treasure!

Kids Club (Limit 16) Shiver Me Timbers...It's a Pirate Party Monday, September 13 at 4:00 pm Join us as we search for buried treasure!

Teen Club: Game On (Limit 16) Monday, September 20 at 5:00 pm



August 19 The Missouri Humanities Council and Scenic Regional Library hosted an immersive virtual program on Buffalo Soldiers.

#### **UNION BRANCH**

Call: 636-583-3224

Register for all in-person programs!

#### **WARRENTON** BRANCH

Call: 636-456-3321

Register for all in-person programs!

#### **WRIGHT CITY BRANCH**

Call: 636-944-6100

Register for all in-person programs!

#### ADULT PROGRAMS

Paranormal Places in Missouri (Limit 18)
Thursday, September 2 at 6:00 pm
Interesting stories about Haunted
Missouri with Laurie Osseck.

#### Paper Quill Earrings (Limit 9)

Thursday, September 9 at 6:00 pm Learn the art of paper quilling and take home a pair of beautiful earrings.

#### **Book Bingo (Limit 16)**

Thursday, September 23 at 11:00 am Play Bingo and win a book.

#### **BOOK CLUBS**

Hooked on Books (Limit 16)

Thursday, September 16 at 6:00 pm Killers of the Flower Moon by David Grann.

#### Visit here for all Book Clubs:

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

#### KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Take & Make supplies at the library **Preschool Storytime (Limit 16)** *Every Wednesday at 10:00 am* 

# Kids Club: Sing-A-Long with Miss Detta (Limit 16)

Monday, September 20 at 5:00 pm

#### **Check Out Big Machines**

Saturday, September 18 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm ECC lower parking lot.

# COMPUTER CLASSES (18+ yrs.) Basic Computer Operation (Limit 5)

Thursday, September 16 from 10:00 am

#### Basic Internet Skills (Limit 5)

Tuesday, September 21 from 1:00 pm

#### **Getting to Know Windows 10 (Limit 5)**

Wednesday, September 29 from 10:00 am

#### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

#### STL Scavenger Hunt

Tuesday, September 7 or 4 at 6:00 pm Book discussion and signing.

### It's Almost Fall Y'All Paint Night (Limit 26)

Tuesday, September 14 at 6:00 pm

#### Take-a-Ticket Technology Tutor

Wednesday, September 15 from 10:00 am-5:00 pm Sign up for a 30-min. appointment.

#### Farmhouse Book Stacks (Limit 26/night) September 21 or 22 at 6:00 pm

#### Little Lost Kitchen (Limit 24)

September 28 or 29 at 6:00 pm Pie and pasta tasting.

#### **BOOK CLUBS**

#### Reese's Reads Book Club

Thursday, September 2 at 5:30 pm Whiskey in a Teacup by Reese Witherspoon.

#### A Novel Bunch Book Club

Wednesday, September 22 at 2:00 pm The German House by Annette Hess.

#### Visit here for all Book Clubs:

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

#### KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

## Take & Make supplies at the library

#### Preschool Storytime (Limit 24)

Every Tuesday at 10:00 am 1st Saturday of Month at 10:00 am If we reach capacity a second storytime will start at 10:30 am

#### **Movie By Moonlight**

Thursday, September 9 at 7:00 pm

#### ADULT PROGRAMS

#### Take-A-Ticket

Thursday, September 9, 10:00 am-2:00 pm Register for a 30-minute appointment to get help with your device.

#### 90's Trivia Hunt

Friday, September 10, 6:00 pm-8:00 pm Join us after hours with trivia, pizza and prizes for teams of 3-5 people.

#### **BOOK CLUBS**

Whodunit? Book Club (Limit 15)
Tuesday, September 28 at 6:00 pm
True Crime by Andrew Klavan.

"Last Wednesday" Book Club (Limit 16) Wednesday, September 29 at 5:00 pm Four Winds by Kristin Hannah.

#### Visit here for all Book Clubs:

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

#### KID & TEEN PROGRAMS

Take & Make supplies at the library **Preschool Storytime (Limit 16)**Every Wednesday at 10:00 am

#### **Teen Wildcat Wednesdays**

Every Wednesday from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm No Wildcat Wednesday September 15 After school drop-in programs for teens in the meeting room.

### Scenic

Regional Library will be closed Monday, September 6 for Labor Day



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order. The Foundation accepts debit and credit cards (online), checks, and cash Visit www.scenicregional.org/foundation/ or complete this form to place your (only for forms brought to the library) for donor wall "book" purchases.



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