

# Library to host Gov. Parson

Scenic Regional Library's Union branch will host Gov. Mike Parson for a meet-and-greet event from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 16.

Gov. Parson will speak briefly about

the book "No Turnin' Back," a commemorative biography about his life authored by Dr. Jim Jones, and answer questions. Copies of the book will also be available for purchase and signing. All

proceeds will go to the Moving Missouri Forward Foundation.

For more information or to RSVP, call 636-583-3224, stop by the branch, or register online at scenicregional.org.



# Marthasville to host heritage celebration

“Our little Warren County, that most people would consider to be flyover country, really had so many important parts of history,” Event Director Cathie Schoppenhorst said.

Schoppenhorst pointed out that some people don’t know that Boone spent the last fourth of his life in Missouri.

“His role in bringing people here began the first significant settlements in this part of the country,” she said.

Duden was instrumental in Germans immigrating to the area due to his 1829 “Report on a Journey to the Western States of North America.” In the publication, he described

Missouri as idyllic and having inexpensive land for purchase and abundant resources.

The Celebrate Marthasville’s Heritage festivities will begin at 10 a.m. April 27 with an opening ceremony.

After the opening ceremony, several speakers, such as Dr. Arthur Mehrhoff and Dr. Walter Kamphoerner, will give presentations on German heritage. Historical reenactors will portray Daniel and Rebecca Boone and performance troupes will perform cultural dances.

The Lichtenberg Park gazebo will feature musical acts including a zither duo and Ger-

man bands. A tree and bench dedication ceremony will take place in memory of Loretta Davis, a woman who worked to beautify Marthasville, according to Schoppenhorst.

Activities like blacksmithing, wood processing, knife making, corn grinding and other demonstrations will take place at and around the Katy Trailhead.

The Preserve Marthasville building will feature children’s games, quilt displays, raffles, books, toys and other items.

The event will include a historical trivia scavenger hunt with prizes. Food and beverage

es will be for sale at the pavilion beside the park playground.

Schoppenhorst said she wanted to create this event because when she was growing up history was just memorizing names and dates, which she didn’t like.

“It didn’t come to life,” she said. “If I had gone to a historic site where they were doing living history or if I had tied it in with my own family history or my own community history, I think I would have liked history and developed a passion for history much sooner.”

Schoppenhorst said she hopes this event will make history interesting for people.

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## A gift from the governor

Missouri Gov. Mike Parson, right, hands Ever Coggins, 5, a Great Seal of Missouri pin on Tuesday at Scenic Regional Library Union branch. Parson spent Tuesday evening in the Franklin County area promoting his new book “No Turnin’ Back.” Proceeds from Parson’s book will go to the Moving Missouri Forward Foundation, according to the governor’s website.

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# Hermann to honor first responders

Hermann will host a Hometown Heroes event next weekend to honor Adam Sullentrup, one of the Hermann police officers shot in the community

injured Sullentrup. Sullentrup spent several months at a hospital that specialized in

traumatic brain injury rehabilitation in Colorado and then returned home in November.

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