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The St. Joseph Public Library preserves yesterday, informs today and inspires tomorrow.

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STORYTIME



CARNEGIE LIBRARY

Toddler Storytime

Wednesdays, March 7 - April 25 @ 10:30 a.m.

This storytime with Miss Jenny welcomes toddlers ages 18 months and up with an adult. The approximate running time is 30 minutes.

DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

Baby Storytime

Mondays, February 5 - April 23 @ 9:30 a.m.

Babies can enjoy storytime too! Babies up to 35 months with an adult are invited to enjoy stories and songs with Miss Misty. The approximate running time is 30 minutes.

Preschool Storytime

Thursdays, February 8 - April 26 @ 10:30 a.m.

Children ages 3 to 6 years old are welcome to hear stories with Miss Misty. The approximate running time is 45 minutes.

EAST HILLS LIBRARY

Preschool Storytime

Tuesdays, February 6 - April 24 @ 10 a.m.

Children up to 6 years old with an adult are invited to enjoy a fun storytime with Miss Jess. The approximate running time is 35 minutes.

Family Storytime

Thursdays, February 1 - April 26 @ 6:30 p.m.

All ages are invited to hear Miss Elizabeth read stories. Feel free to wear your pajamas and bring a stuffed animal. The approximate running time is 35 minutes.

WASHINGTON PARK LIBRARY

Preschool Storytime

Mondays, March 5 - April 30 @ 10 a.m.

Children up to 6 years old with an adult are invited to enjoy a fun storytime with Miss Sarah. The approximate running time is 45 minutes.

Introduce your children to books and reading at our fun storytimes. Experience a lively mix of stories, songs, rhymes and crafts that make this a special time for you and your child.

Have you heard about...

S.T.A.M.P.S?



S.T.A.M.P.S. is a monthly email that features a complete list of the upcoming month's programs and events at all four branches of the St.

Joseph Public Library.

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Carnegie Library

Book Adventures: Join this interactive book club and have fun participating in tie-in activities. Learn about mysteries, fantasy, adventure and many more genres.

For children ages 8 to 12 years old. Approximate running time is 1 hour.

Tuesday, April 10 @ 4 p.m.: Abracadabra: Learn some magic tricks. Tuesday, May 8 @ 4 p.m.: Abracadabra: Discuss books about magic.

Downtown Library

The Glue Crew- Join the Glue Crew every month to explore a cool craft or art technique. For children in K through 6th grade. All supplies provided and dress for a mess! **Sign-up required.**

Thursday, April 5 @ 4 p.m. - Foiled Again! - Sharpie on foil looks super cool. Whether you draw robots, designs, or anything that strikes your fancy, you'll love the effect. Sign-up required by April 2.

Thursday, May 17 @ **4 p.m. - Duck Tape Wizardry -** Duck Tape isn't just practical, it's really versatile. You can make pencil cases, wallets, bracelets, flowers, bookmarks and more. We'll have a variety of cool tapes to use, you just need to bring your imagination. Sign-up required by May 14.

STEAMondays - Children can explore STEAM at the library. Each week will be devoted to Science, Technology, Engineering, Art or Math.

For 7 - 12 year olds. Sign-up required. Please sign up by the Thursday preceding the session you'd like to attend.

Mondays @ 2 p.m. on April 2, 9, 16 & 23.

Mind Games - Come play games of strategy and skill. We will have classics like Mancala and Chess, but also new games like Ticket to Ride. Come match wits with your peers and have some fun!

3rd through 12th graders.

Thursdays @ 4 p.m. on April 26 & May 24



Above: Patrons of all ages were introduced to Creatures by Theresa at the Downtown Library in February.

East Hills Library

Crafternoon - Join us for an afternoon devoted to being crafty in this drop in craft time. Bring your creativity, we'll provide lots of craft supplies. Approximate running time is 2 hours.

K through 8th grade.

Wednesday, April 4 @ 2 p.m.

Minecraft Show-and-Tell - Do you play Minecraft? Want to show off your favorite build, command, mod or world? Come to our Minecraft Show-and-Tell. Please limit your show-and-tell to 5 minutes. Call Ms. Elizabeth at 236-2136 for tech info. If you just want to come and watch, that's fine too.

4th through 8th grade. Sign-up by April 2 is required.

Thursday, April 5 @ 2 p.m.

Book Signing and Craft - Join us for a reading and book signing by Missouri author Donna Keith. We will read her new book *Peter Porcupine and the Peanut Butter Lies*, do a craft and have a snack. Approximate running time is 90 minutes.

Children ages 3 - 8 years old.

Saturday, April 28 @ 10 a.m.



Children o-6 years old.

Tuesday, May 8 @ 10 a.m.

Super STEAM Society - Come explore our Makerspace activities. We will delve into our different Maker Kits or be artsy after school. Approximate running time is 60 minutes.

K through 8th grade. Thursdays @ 4:30 p.m.

Open Play: Come explore STEAM kits and activities at your own pace.

April 26 & May 24

Marble Maze Challenge: Challenge your friends to make the best Marble Maze on a paper plate with general craft supplies.

April 12

Washer Jewelry: Make Mom lovely jewelry for Mother's Day using washers. <u>Sign-up required by May 4.</u>

May 10



Mix It Up at the Children's Fair Tuesday, April 17th St. Joseph Civic Arena

This year's theme for the Youth Alliance Children's Fair is all about the arts, inspired by the book *Mix It Up* by Hervé Tullet. The St. Joseph Public Library is excited to be a part of this annual celebration for young children in our community, and this year an early literacy grant is helping to fund the event. Each child in attendance will receive a free book as they enter the event, as part of the St. Joseph Public Library's 2017-2018 Racing to Read funding. Additionally, the St. Joseph Public Library will host a dynamic activity station for children to learn about colors while practicing rhythm and movement.

The Children's Fair is a FREE event, designed for families with children age birth to 6 years old. Loads of fun activities will be provided by community partners, including an obstacle course, dancing, live animals, sensory activities, storytimes with Mr. Will, and more! The Children's Fair will offer two sessions this year at the St. Joseph Civic Arena, including a morning session from 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. and an evening session from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Both sessions will offer a free children's book and a host of art-related activities.

The Children's Fair is supported in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) as administered by the Missouri State Library, a division of the Office of the Secretary of State. If you would like more information regarding this event or about the St. Joseph Public Library's Racing to Read initiative, please call Jen Wildhagen at 232-3812.

Washington Park Library

Tricky Tuesday: Rainbow Treasure Hunt - Celebrate National Find a Rainbow Day with a treasure hunt. Clues will lead you to rainbows hidden around the library. Find all the rainbows to collect a prize. Approximate running time is 60 minutes.

K through 6th grade.

Tuesday, April 3 @ 3:30 p.m.

Tricky Tuesday: BINGO for Kids - Play BINGO for prizes! Approximate running time is 60 minutes.

K through 6th grade.

Tuesday, April 17 @ 3:30 p.m.



Above: Hoops Green from the Harlem Globetrotters shared her basketball skills with children at the East Hills Library.

Washington Park Library (continued)

Tricky Tuesday: Minute to Win It LEGO Challenges - Are you a Master Builder? Complete tricky brick-building challenges using LEGO bricks. Beat the clock to win a prize. Approximate running time is 60 minutes.

K through 6th grade. Sign-up required by April 24.

Tuesday, May 1 @ 3:30 p.m.

Tricky Tuesday: Mother's Day Crafts - Make something nice for your mom this Mother's Day. Moms LOVE handmade gifts. Approximate running time is 60 minutes.



K through 6th grade.

Tuesday, May 8 @ 3:30 p.m.

Tricky Tuesday: BINGO for Kids - Play BINGO for prizes! Approximate running time is 60 minutes.

K through 6th grade.

Tuesday, May 15 @ 3:30 p.m.



Downtown Library

Teen Advisory Board Meeting - Get your voice heard. Come plan library events for teens at the Downtown Library. Being involved with planning looks great on resumes and college applications, and it makes our library better.

7th through 12th graders.

Wednesday, April 18 @ 4 p.m.





Downtown Library (continued)

Painting with Bob Ross - Learn to paint with Bob Ross. A PBS classic, Bob Ross has been on the air teaching people to paint for years. His soothing voice and positivity have made him a cult favorite. Come hang out and enjoy painting with this vintage throwback program.

7th through 12th graders. Sign-up by April 24 required. Saturday, April 28 @ 2 p.m.

DT Art – During the first DT Art program, teens and adults will be using wire to make self portraits and figure sculptures. Making a wire sculpture is a fun and easy way to translate line from a flat design into a 3D space. The focus will be on form, movement and making the sculpture work in the round. Tools and materials will be provided. Approximate running time is 60 minutes.

7th through 12th graders and adults.

Saturday, May 12 @ 3 p.m.

Teen Cupcake Wars— Based on the Food Network show, teens will compete to make the coolest set of cupcakes in this fun, edible competition. A prize will be awarded to the top contestant, and of course, those cupcakes will need to be eaten. Approximate running time is 90 minutes.

7th through 12th graders. Sign-up by May 24 is required.

Thursday, May 31 @ 4 p.m.



East Hills Library

Teen Win, Lose or Draw - Join your friends for a crazy fast game of sketching and guessing.

7th through 12th graders.

Monday, April 2 @ 2 p.m.

Teen Boredom Buster - Bust your boredom at the library. Teens are invited to play games including Wii games and board games.

7th through 12th graders.

Tuesday, April 3 @ 2 p.m.

Teens After Hours - Looking for something to do on a Friday night? Hang out at the library AFTER HOURS! Meet up with other teens, play games, watch movies, or play hide and go seek. Light refreshments provided, but you can bring your own snacks, too. Approximate running time is 3 hours.

7th through 12th graders. Sign-up and permission form required.

Friday, May 11 @ 6 p.m.



Wanted: Summer Volunteers at the East Hills Library

Want to rack up some service hours this summer? Volunteer at East Hills during the Summer Reading Program!

Applicants must be 12-18 years of age and be able to work at least one shift for a minimum six weeks June 1 to August 1. All volunteers will attend an orientation prior to the program's start. Applications can be found on the Teen Page at sjpl.lib.mo.us or at the circulation desk at East Hills Library. Please return it to the front desk at the East Hills Library no later than 4 p.m. - Saturday, May 12, 2018. Accepted applicants will be notified after the application deadline, no later than Wednesday, May 16th, 2018. Call Ms. Jess at 816-236-2136 with questions or concerns.



Washington Park Library

Thursdate: DIY Stress Balls - Teens can create their own stretchy, squeezy, squishy stress balls.

7th through 12th graders. Sign-up required.

Thursday, April 26 @ 3:30 p.m.

Thursdate: Board Games - Hang out with friends and play your favorite board games. Play our games or bring your own.

7th through 12th graders.

Thursday, May 17 @ 3:30 p.m.

Thursdate: Scavenger Hunt – Test your library knowledge. Work as a team using clues to locate items hidden in the library.

7th through 12th graders. Sign-up required by May 17.

Thursday, May 24 @ 3:30 p.m.

Thursdate: Movie & Popcorn - Teens can enjoy a movie and popcorn after school.

7th through 12th graders.

Thursday, April 19 @ **3:30** p.m. - *Heavyweights* - PG - 100 min, 1995.

Thursday, May 3 @ 3:30 p.m. - Justice League - PG-13 - 121 min, 2007.





All Ages/Family

First Friday Fun: Jump Geo Game

Friday, April 6 @ 1 p.m. **East Hills Library**

Come check out a new game from a local entrepreneur. Jump Geo is an engaging educational game for all ages (even adults) that teaches geographic literacy through play on a giant 4x6 floor map.

First Friday Fun: Mother's Day Gift

Friday, May 4 @ 1 p.m.

East Hills Library

Make a lovely gift for mom with thumbprint art painted flower pots. Parents/caregivers may need to help younger children.

Sign-up by April 30 is required.

Downtown Library

Downtown Library

Monthly LEGO Club - LEGO enthusiasts from kindergarten and up are welcome to join us each month. Approximate running time is 90 minutes.

Tuesday, April 3 @ 6:30 p.m. - Theme: My Favorite Thing to Build Is...

Tuesday, May 1 @ 6:30 p.m. - Theme: Favorite Pet

East Hills Library

Book Buddies - The Book Buddies Pony Express Therapy Dogs is continuing their partnership with the East Hills Library to offer children a way to improve their reading skills in a unique and fun environment. This program utilizes therapy dogs as the listeners for children of all ages and reading levels. Drop in anytime between 10 a.m. - Noon.

Saturdays, April 7 & May 5 @ 10 a.m.

Family Movie Nights - Snacks and drinks with lids are welcome at this monthly film program.

Monday, April 9 @ 6:30 p.m. - The Nut Job 2 - PG - 91

Monday, May 14 @ 6:30 p.m. - Coco- PG - 109 min,



Top and bottom: Eric Litwin visited the East

February. He gave two

lively performances and signed copies of his

Hills Library in

books.



Pokémon Club - Come enjoy Pokémon themed crafts and activities. Bring your handheld games, cards, and art to share, battle and trade with other Pokémon fans. All supplies and snacks will be provided. All ages welcome. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Approximate running time is 1 1/2 hours.

Wednesday, April 18 @ 5 p.m. Wednesday, May 16 @ 5 p.m.

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All Ages/Family

Washington Park Library

Tricky Tuesday: Movie & Popcorn - All ages are invited to watch a movie at the Washington Park Library. Popcorn and drinks will be provided.



Tuesday, April 10 @ 3:30 p.m.- **Despicable Me 3** - PG - 90 min, 2012



Tuesday, April 24 @ 3:30 p.m. - Wonder - PG - 113 min, 2017



Tuesday, May 22 @ 3:30 p.m. - The Great Mouse Detective - G - 80 min, 1986

Sherlock Holmes Day - Celebrate National Sherlock Holmes Day at Washington Park. Families can work on their detective skills with activities like a library scavenger hunt. Be sure to catch our showing of *The Great Mouse Detective* during Tricky Tuesday too!

Tuesday, May 22 - drop in all day long.



Carnegie Library

Spring Teas - Featuring Shiang Johnson from Simply Tea. Spring tea can be the first pick, and tend to be bright, delicate, lightly floral teas. White Tea and Darjeeling, among others, are commonly associated with Spring. Join us for a delicious, refreshing sampling of Spring's best offerings.

Wednesday, April 25 @ 5 p.m.

Downtown Library

Downtown Library Movie Night for Adults

This event is intended for anyone 17 and over. It is free and no registration is needed. Free popcorn provided and drinks with lids are welcome.

Third Monday of the Month @ 5:30 p.m.

April 16 - **Deepwater Horizon** - PG-13 - 97 min, 2016

May 21 - *Grown Ups* - PG-13 - 102 min, 2010







Downtown Library (continued)

Downtown Library Adult Coloring Program

Take a break from the hustle and bustle of the world, and color!
Supplies and light refreshments provided.

Tuesday, April 10 2 - 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 8 2 - 3:30 p.m.



HISTORY SPEAKS

Formerly called Local History Stage, History Speaks is a monthly history program dedicated to showcasing local and regional historical topics and their lasting impact on our community. Join us at the Downtown Library every First Saturday for a fresh look at interesting historical topics regarding St.

Joseph and surrounding areas.

For more information about the History Speaks program, or if you are interested in being a speaker, contact Jennifer Sanders-Tutt at the Downtown Library at 232-8151.

- -Saturday, April 7 @ 2 p.m. Black WWI Soldiers, presented by LaDawndra Robbs. With the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I, LaDawndra Robbs will be speaking about the history of black soldiers and the First World War.
- -Saturday, May 5 @ 2 p.m. The Shakespeare Chateau, presented by Isobel McGowan. Isobel is the owner/innkeeper at The Shakespeare Chateau. The Shakespeare Chateau, built in 1885 and now on the National Register of Historic Places, was one of St. Joseph's grand homes. Join Isobel as she speaks about restoring and preserving one of St. Joseph's historic treasures.

History Speaks Presents: Local Author Showcase Saturday, June 2 @ 2 - 4 p.m.

This is a wonderful opportunity to visit with some area authors and learn about their writings. They will also have copies of their books available for sale. If you are a local author and would like to participate in the showcase, please email Crystal Stuck at cstuck@sjpl.lib.mo.us

Genealogy Drop-in - Get help starting on your genealogy or get a fresh perspective on your existing research. Local History Librarian, Jennifer Sanders-Tutt will help you navigate all the avenues to take in your genealogy quest or help you through roadblocks you may have encountered. Assistance with learning how to preserve and digitize your records also available.

Wednesdays, 2 - 4 p.m. on April 4, 11, 18 & 25 and May 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30.



Downtown Library (continued)

DT Art – See program description on page 8. Adults and 7th through 12th graders. Saturday, May 12 @ 3 p.m.



The Downtown Library's Seed Library is open! For information on how to get seeds, visit the Downtown Library or call 232-7729.



Where Do We Begin?

Are you just beginning your family's genealogy, or looking for new resources? Completed your genealogy, but would like a way to store everything digitally? This workshop presented by Local History Librarian, Jennifer Sanders-Tutt, will address methods and resources useful to all genealogists. Take a tour through the resources St. Joseph Public Library offers. Learn how Evernote can benefit your genealogy, and make it easier. Approximate running time is 2 hours.

Thursday, May 24 @ 5:30 p.m. Signup is required by May 17. Call the Reference Department at 232-8151 to signup.

East Hills Library

East Hills Library Adult Coloring and More!

Take a break from the hustle and bustle of the world, and color! Come to our Adult Coloring and More night to relax and unwind. If coloring isn't your thing, dot-to-dot pages, or Play-Doh will be provided to create something fun. Supplies and light refreshments provided.

Mondays, April 9 & May 14 @ 5:30 p.m.



Above: Local children play the part of extras in a movie being partially filmed at the Downtown Library.



East Hills Library (continued)

Friends Front Row Tuesday Night Film Series

with movie critic, Bob Shultz. Free popcorn provided and drinks with lids are welcome.

Every Tuesday @ 6:30 p.m.



Shadow of a Doubt - April 3

1943, PG, 108 min. Alfred Hitchcock's suspense thriller about a young lady who suspects her beloved uncle may be a murderer with a penchant for wooing, robbing and doing away with rich, older women.



Rope - April 10

1948, PG, 80 min. Two college friends commit a murder, then serve up clues about their deadly deed at a dinner party. Alfred Hitchcock directed.



To Catch a Thief - April 17

1955, PG, 103 min. A retired jewel thief will be arrested unless he can trap the copycat burglar who has taken up serial-stealing on the French Riviera.



Vertigo - April 24

1959, PG, 128 min. A retired cop, afflicted with acrophobia, agrees to shadow the wife of an old acquaintance, who fears that she may be suicidal.



Wonder - May 1

2017, PG, 113 min. A 10-year-old boy with a facial deformity attends school for the first time when he begins the fifth grade. With the support of his parents, he learns how to make friends and adjust to his new environment.



Mildred Pierce - May 8

1945, NR, 111 min. A spurned housewife struggles to care for her two daughters, one a lovable tomboy and the other a scheming, social-climbing teen. The film is an adaptation of James M. Cain's novel.



Star Wars: The Last Jedi - May 15

2017, PG-13, 152 min. Rey learns the ways of the Force from Luke Skywalker, and develops a telepathic bond with Kylo Ren, who is struggling to master the Dark Side. Meanwhile, Stormtrooper-turned-Resistance fighter, Finn goes on a risky mission behind enemy lines.



The Big Lebowski - May 22

1998, R, 117 min. A slacker known to his friends as "The Dude" gets mixed up in a convoluted kidnapping plot with an eccentric millionaire whose name he shares.



Dazed and Confused - May 29

1993, R, 103 min. The experiences of a group of friends on the last day of school in 1976.



8th Annual Trivia Night Fundraiser April 28 @ 7 p.m.

The 8th Annual Library Trivia Night Fundraiser will be held on Saturday, April 28 at 7 p.m. at the Fairview Golf Course Banquet Room. The first question of the evening will be read at 7:10 p.m.

Each team can have a maximum of 6 players at their table. Tables are \$60 each. A table can be reserved by visiting any St. Joseph Public Library and paying in advance.

Prizes will be awarded after each round, with the winning team getting the grand prize!

Silent auction items will be available for bidding. Concessions will be provided by Fairview.

For more information about Trivia Night, contact Crystal Stuck at 236-2107.

THANK YOU!

We appreciate these supporters for their donations and volunteer work in January and February 2018.

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National Library Week April 8-14, 2018

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries across the country each April. It is a time to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians and to promote library use and support. All types of libraries - school, public,

academic and special - participate.

To celebrate National Library Week, visit any St. Joseph Public Library branch to enter prize drawings. Enter babies through six-year-olds in a drawing for a copy of a book and toy set. Those ages 7 through 17 may enter for a \$25 gift card to Hollywood Theaters and adults 18 and over may win a \$25 gift card from East Hills Shopping Center.



FRIENDS OF THE ST. JOSEPH PUBLIC LIBRARY

BOOK CLUBS

Monthly Book Discussions

Tiger's Den

Forever Young Adult Book Club - A book club for adults that enjoy young adult books.

Meets one Saturday per month at 4 p.m. at The Tiger's Den located at 519 Felix St. Contact

April 14: Dark Days Club by Alison Goodman

May 12: Honor Among Thieves by Rachel

Caine & Ann Aguirre

Downtown Library

Fourth Monday of the Month @ 7 p.m. Contact Mary Beth (232-7729) for more info.

April 23: *Truly, Madly, Guilty* by Liane Moriarty

May 21: Chinese Nail Murders by Robert Van

Gulik

East Hills Library

Fourth Wednesday of the Month @ 10 a.m. Contact Shirley (236-2136) for more info.

April 25: *Beartown* by Fredrik Backman **May 23:** *Since We Fell* by Dennis Lehane

Washington Park Library

First Tuesday of the Month @ 2 p.m. Contact Karen (232-2052) for more info.

April 3: Euphoria by Lily King

May 1: I'd Know You Anywhere by Laura

Lippman

Melissa de la Cruz to Give Public Reading at MWSU

New York Times-bestselling author Melissa de la Cruz will give a public reading of her work at an April 16 event, which is sponsored by *The Mochila Review*, MWSU's national undergraduate literary journal. In addition to funding from MHC, the event is made possible through support from the St. Joseph Public Library and MWSU's English and Modern Languages department's Prairie Lands Writing Project, School of Fine Arts, Center for Multicultural Education, International Student Services, and Center for Student Involvement.

The event will be from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at MWSU's Kemper Recital Hall and is free and open to the public. De la Cruz will sign copies of her books during a catered reception following the reading. Copies of the Spring 2018 issue of *The Mochila Review*, featuring winning stories from a contest guest-judged by de la Cruz, will also be available at the event.

De la Cruz is the award-winning author of more than forty fiction and nonfiction titles, most popularly the *Blue Bloods, Witches of East End,* and *The Isle of Lost* series (the last is based on the Disney Channel Original Movie *The Descendants*). Her newest book, *Love and War*, is a sequel to *Alex and Eliza* about Alexander Hamilton and Eliza Schuyler's romance and comes out on April 17 (advance copies will be sold at de la Cruz's Missouri Western reading.) A graduate of Columbia University, where she majored in English and art history, she grew up in Manila and currently lives in West Hollywood, California, with her family.

Win a seat at a dinner event with Melissa de la Cruz that will take place prior to her presentation on April 16. To enter, visit any branch of the St. Joseph Public Library any time between April 2 - 13 and fill out an entry form.

Carnegie Library At-A-Glance

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Adults				
Spring Teas	Wed	Apr. 25	5 p.m.	11

Downtown Library At-A-Glance

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East Hills Library At-A-Glance

PROGRAM	DAY	DATE(S)	TIME	PAGE
Children				
Preschool Storytime	Tue	Apr. 3, 10, 17, 24	10 a.m.	3
Family Storytime	Thu	Apr. 5, 12, 19, 26	6:30 p.m.	3
Crafternoon	Wed	Apr. 4	2 p.m.	5
Minecraft Show-and-Tell	Thu	Apr. 5	2 p.m.	5
Book Signing and Craft	Sat	Apr. 28	10 a.m.	5
Pre-K Play	Tue	May 8	10 a.m.	5
Super STEAM Society: Marble Maze Challenge	Thu	Apr. 12	4:30 p.m.	5
Super STEAM Society: Washer Jewelry	Thu	May 10	4:30 p.m.	5
Super STEAM Society: Open Play	Thu	Apr. 26 & May 24	4:30 p.m.	5
Teens				
Teen Win, Lose or Draw	Mon	Apr. 2	2 p.m.	8
Teen Boredom Busters	Tue	Apr. 3	2 p.m.	8
Teen After Hours	Fri	May 11	6 p.m.	8
All Ages/Family				
First Friday Fun: Jump Geo Game	Fri	Apr. 6	1 p.m.	10
Book Buddies	Sat	Apr. 7 & May 5	10 a.m.	10
Family Movie Nights	Mon	Apr. 9 & May 14	6:30 p.m.	10
Pokémon Club	Wed	Apr. 18 & May 16	5 p.m.	10
First Friday Fun: Mother's Day Gift	Fri	May 4	1 p.m.	10
Adults				
Adult Coloring and More	Mon	Apr. 9 & May 14	5:30 p.m.	13
Front Row Tuesday Night Films	Tue	Apr. 3, 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	6:30 p.m.	14
Book Club	Wed	Apr. 25 & May 23	10 a.m.	16

Coming this Summer



The Summer Reading Program begins June 1st! All ages can win prizes just by reading and visiting any branch of the St. Joseph Public Library between June 1st and August 1st. We'll have fun programs for all ages and performers who will visit each library throughout the summer. More information will be available soon, check our webpage frequently!

Washington Park Library At-A-Glance

PROGRAM	DAY	DATE(S)	TIME	PAGE
Children				
Preschool Storytime	Mon	Apr. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	10 a.m.	3
Tricky Tuesday: Rainbow Treasure Hunt	Tue	Apr. 3	3:30 p.m.	6
Tricky Tuesday: BINGO for Kids	Tue	Apr. 17	3:30 p.m.	6
Tricky Tuesday: Minute to Win It: LEGO	Tue	May 1	3:30 p.m.	7
Tricky Tuesday: Mother's Day Craft	Tue	May 8	3:30 p.m.	7
Tricky Tuesday: BINGO for Kids	Tue	May 15	3:30 p.m.	7
Teens				
Thursdate: Movie & Popcorn	Thu	Apr. 19 & May 3	3:30 p.m.	9
Thursdate: DIY Stress Balls	Thu	Apr. 26	3:30 p.m.	9
Thursdate: Board Games	Thu	May 17	3:30 p.m.	9
Thursdate: Scavenger Hunt	Thu	May 24	3:30 p.m.	9
All Ages/Family				
Tricky Tuesday: Movie & Popcorn	Tue	Apr. 10, 24, May 22	3:30 p.m.	11
Sherlock Holmes Day	Tue	May 22	All day	11
Adults				
Book Club	Tue	Apr. 3 & May 1	2 p.m.	16

In the Community At-A-Glance

PROGRAM	DAY	DATE(S)	TIME	PAGE
Children				
Children's Fair at Civic Arena	Tue	Apr. 17	9am & 5 pm	6
Adults				
Book Club - Tiger's Den	Sat	Apr. 14 & May 12	4 p.m.	16

Staff Book Review: A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles

Reviewed by Mary Beth Revels, Library Director

This is one of my all-time favorite books. It is the story of a Russian aristocrat who, instead of being shot in 1922, is sentenced at the age of 33 to house arrest in the Metropol Hotel in Moscow. Count Alexander Rostov has already been in residence there four years, but is moved from his swank suite of rooms to a small attic room.

This is a story of love in many forms, kindness, friendship and even adventure... Read the full review at sjplreads.blogspot.com



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Carnegie Library 316 Massachusetts St. 238-0526

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Fri: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. **Sat:** 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.



Downtown Library

927 Felix St. Circulation: 232-7729 Reference: 232-8151 Children's: 232-3812

Text Line: 249-1377

Mon: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. **Tues:** 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Wed: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. **Thurs:** 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Fri: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. **Sat:** 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



East Hills Library

502 N. Woodbine Rd. 236-2136

Sun: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Mon: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. **Tues:** 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Wed: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Thurs: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Fri: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sat: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Washington Park Library

1821 N. 3rd St. 232-2052

Mon: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Tues: 12 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Wed: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Thurs: 12 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Fri: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sat: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Library Closings: April 1 (Easter), May 27 & 28 (Memorial Day)