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Mission

The St. Joseph Public Library will enrich our community by providing diverse resources and services to support and fulfill the life-long informational and recreational needs of our patrons.

Vision

The St. Joseph Public Library's vision is to foster a united, engaged, and informed community where all generations connect, discover, and create.

Values

The St. Joseph Public Library values:

ACCOUNTABILITY. We are dedicated to delivering on our commitments and for the stewardship of our taxpayer dollars.

EXCELLENCE. We are courteous professionals who strive to create extraordinary experiences for our community.

EQUALITY. We are free and open to all people and ideas. We treat everyone with respect and compassion.

INNOVATION. We are always learning. We are constantly exploring new ways of doing things better and doing better things.

PASSION. We love the library, we love St. Joseph, and we love what we do.

TEAMWORK. We build connections and celebrate the diversity of our experiences.

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All programs subject to change due to weather, lack of sign-up, etc. Check the online calendar for the most up-to-date information. Attendance at St. Joseph Public Library programs, events or public spaces constitutes consent to be photographed for use in print and/or electronic publicity for SJPL. If you do not want us to use a photo of you or your child, please tell the library staff member coordinating the event PRIOR to the program.

A Message From Your Library

I am not sure that 2020 is going to be anyone's favorite year, but in the midst of all this I know I have so much for which to be thankful. The library's fiscal year ends on June 30 so I suppose that is why I am in a year-end frame of mind. The four branches of the library checked out around 225,000 items and over 17,000 people attended library programs either in-person or virtually during the 2019-2020 fiscal year. I am happy our library is used and appreciated by our community.

How we serve you has changed during the pandemic and we won't be back to normal for some time. However, I am thankful that we are open for in-person services once again. Anyone who prefers our contactless service is welcome to continue to use that service at any of our four branches.

Our newsletter usually includes a section that lists and thanks our volunteers and donors and that has been missing lately with all the other information we felt we needed to share. I am thankful for all of our volunteers and donors, all of whom help improve the library, and want to make sure they are recognized.

Monetary Donations:

Dr. Lennis Echterling

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Lastly, I am thankful for the Board of Trustees and staff of the library, all who have helped the library figure out how to continue to safely provide services in these challenging times.

Be well,
Mary Beth Revels,
Director



Imagine Your Story



2020 Summer Reading Program

"Imagine Your Story" is the theme for this year's Summer Reading Program. Could you have ever imagined that the library would be closed for the start of Summer Reading? That you wouldn't be able to watch fabulous performers in person? While this may be true this year, don't worry. Summer Reading has gone virtual!

Signing Up & Tracking Reading: All you need to do is go to sjplibrary.beanstack.org and register yourself or your family. Once registered, you log your reading, earn badges, reading rewards and entries to win extra prizes. Prizes can be picked up at any library location or through the library's Contactless Pickup system. The Summer Reading Program is open to all ages, babies through adults.

Summer Reading Performers: Summer reading performances will be posted on the library's Facebook page. Some performances can also be found on our YouTube channel and our Instagram page. Performances will be available for viewing for a limited time, so don't miss out on your favorites. Here are the performers and the dates their performances will be posted.

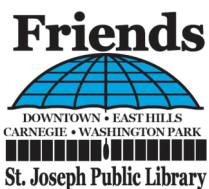
June 24: Figment Follies with Will Stuck - Two episodes of fun! The Figment Follies (15 minute show) is a bite sized show for the 7 and younger crowd featuring a fairy tale story and super silly song! The Figment Follies (30 minute show) features Will's MESS (Music, Education, Stories & Science) with an imagination and fairy tale spin! Video will be available on the library's Facebook page until July 8.

July 14 & 15: Frio the Dragon: Quest for Fire! - Presented by Mad Science of Greater Kansas City. Join Frio the Dragon as he discovers how he can breathe fire with the help from a wizardly scientist! Log in, and interact with the Mad Scientist as you see wonders of folklore: Catapults, dragons, magic, and yes, even FIRE! Will Frio find his way? **Registration required.** Two show times available. Zoom link will be sent after registration. This is a live performance you will not want to miss.

July 14 @ 6 p.m.

July 15 @ 10 a.m.

July 29: Dino O'Dell - Dino O'Dell never fails to delight with his upbeat storytelling songs. Dino's performance can be found on the library's YouTube channel.



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Join the 2020 Summer Reading Program, "Imagine Your Story." Open to ALL ages. Register yourself and your family at:

sjplibrary.beanstack.org

-Read

-Track your progress

-Win prizes

Children & Parents

Virtual Summer Reading STEAM Challenge - R

Oh no! The Gingerbread Man has outrun many creatures, but now he is on a riverbank and can run no more. Help the Gingerbread Man by building him a raft using just straws and pipe cleaners. When you are done building, tape a quarter to your paper gingerbread man and test out your raft in water.

Pick up a STEAM Challenge kit at any of our locations (limited number available), beginning on Monday, July 6.

Join on a live Zoom call on Saturday, July 11, at 1 p.m. to show off how you solved the challenge. If you are unable to attend the Zoom meeting, you can email Ms. Elizabeth at: emurray@sjpl.lib.mo.us with pictures of your challenge instead.

Saturday, July 11 1 p.m.

Virtual Literary Adventure: The Magician's Hat - R

David, the Magician, loves to perform magic— but his favorite trick is not pulling a rabbit out of a hat or finding quarters behind the ears of children. Instead, David loves the magical power of books, knowing that they can help students explore their dreams and develop creativity. Bring your imagination and look inside *The Magician's Hat* by Malcolm Mitchell.

Ms. Elizabeth will read the book on Zoom, then we'll practice a few magic tricks.

Be sure to pick up an activity kit at the East Hills Library starting the week before on Thursday, July 9. The activity kit will include: a red clown nose, scarves for juggling practice, and a magical squirming worm.

Register to save your spot and receive the Zoom link! Best for ages 4-9.

Thursday, July 16 6 p.m.

Virtual Take and Make Showcase - R

Did you pick up this week's Take & Make kit at your local library? If so, join us at the Virtual Take & Make Showcase. The showcase is an opportunity to say hello to your favorite children's librarians, share your project results, and talk about some cool books and library resources!

Each week will feature a friendly children's librarian and Hannah H. from the Bound to Read Program.

A Zoom invitation will be included in the registration confirmation email. Only one registration per household is required if sharing a Zoom screen.

Saturday, July 18 & 25 1 p.m.



Children Teens



Drawing Cartoon Fantasy Creatures with Will Stuck - Virtual - R

Imagine the fantasy creatures you can draw after taking this live class. This is a modified version of Will's cartooning workshop that will be available via Zoom. Registration is required and limited to no more than 25 participants ages 10-17. Participants will only need paper and something to draw with for this event.



Wednesday, July 8 10 a.m.

Teens

Virtual Anime Watch Party - R

Join us the first Tuesday of every month for an Anime Watch Party! Register to get the Zoom link.

Tuesday, July 7 7 p.m.

Virtual Ye Olden Movies: Clueless - R

Join us for the classics! This month we are featuring *Clueless* (running time 97 minutes, rated PG-13). We will be streaming this movie via the Google Chrome extension Netflix Party. The extension will give us a password protected chat and will make sure that we're all synced up. Unfortunately, due to streaming rights, we all need Netflix accounts to watch this film together. Pop your own popcorn and use the chat feature to add your commentary to this classic film!

Instructions on installing Netflix Party can be found by doing a search on YouTube. A link will be emailed to you at the email address you included when registering for this event shortly before the event starts.

Friday, July 10 7 p.m.

Take and Make for Teens: Eye Dye - R

The Eye of Sauron? Mad-eye Moody's all-seeing eye? Follow our tutorial to make an eye-dye shirt, and make a magical eye of your own. Or, you know, just tie-dye whatever you want. It's up to you! We'll supply two colors, rubber bands, and some gloves--you provide the shirt! Supplies are limited, so make sure that you register to get your kit!

Wednesday, July 15 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Virtual Drawing Fantasy Maps

Make a map of your favorite fantasy world! In this video class, we will teach you some helpful tips to make your recreation of your favorite book world or the world you've been creating in your head as painless as possible. Look for the link on YouTube!

Video ready to view on:

Tuesday, July 21

Take and Make for Teens: Harry's Birthday Cake - R

Happée Birthdae Harry! Celebrate Harry Potter's birthday by recreating Hagrid's special cake in a mug you designed

yourself! Your kit will come with a mug and sharpies for decorating it, as well as cake ingredients and (of course) some pink and green icing! Supplies are limited, so register to reserve your kit!

Friday, July 31 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.



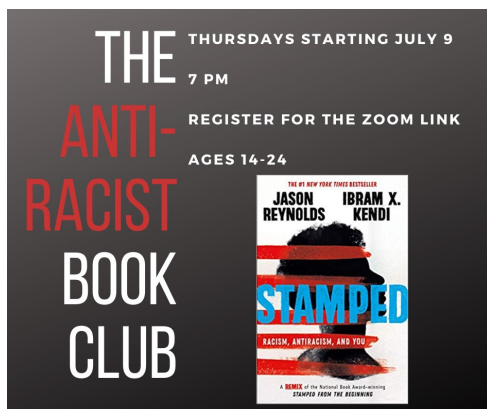
Teens Adults

Escape the Witch: A Hansel and Gretel Digital Escape Room - R

Hansel and Gretel are trapped. Far from home in a house made of candy, they are being held ready to serve as the Witch's dinner. Help them break out of the oven before it's too late!

On July 1st, the link to the game goes live from the library's web calendar. There will be some scary images, so it may not be suitable for your family, but it will definitely be okay for teens and adults! Also, there WILL BE PRIZES!

July 1 - 31



All Ages

Virtual Ukulele Strum & Sing-Along - R

We are testing out the virtual application of our ukulele meet up! It might work, but it might not be perfect-- worst case scenario, come and say hello to a uke-lovin' group via Zoom.

Register to receive the Zoom meeting link.

Limited to 10 users.

Monday, July 6 6 p.m.

Virtual LEGO Club - R

Join us for a virtual LEGO Club meeting! We'll be using Zoom to meet and share our builds this month. Please have your creations ready to share when the meeting begins. Our theme for July is a handful of bricks. Please register to receive a link for the Zoom LEGO Club meeting.

Tuesday, July 7 6:30 p.m.

Virtual Community Voices

In the first installment in a new monthly interview series we will talk with Kimberly Warren, the CEO of MidCity Excellence. She will share her life story, her current work and her dreams for the future.

Find this video and future installments on the St. Joseph Public Library YouTube Channel.

Video ready to view on:

Wednesday, July 22 2 p.m.

Adults

Virtual True Crime Time: Sending Them Directly to Heaven

This month we will explore the disturbing story of a man who chose to destroy his entire family rather than own up to his financial failings. Jen Wildhagen will present the tale of John List, spanning from 1971 to 2008.

Video ready to view on:

Thursday, July 9 5:30 p.m.



Virtual DIY, Why Don't You: Quarantine Cork Crafts

If you spent your shutdown time like I did, you might have a stockpile of wine corks on hand. The artwork on corks these days is lovely and a shame to pitch in the trash. What do you do? Well, I have a suggestion. Turn them into charming keychains to keep or give as gifts. It's a great excuse to buy more wine!

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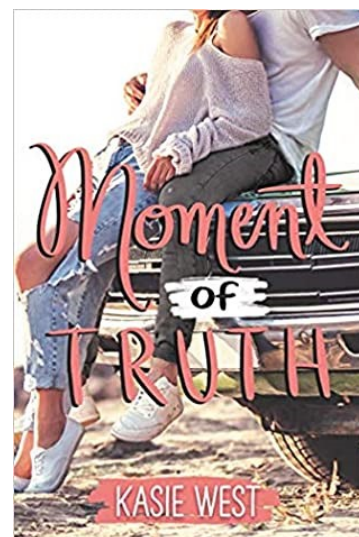
Monday, July 13 5:30 p.m.

Virtual Forever Young Adult Book Club - R

Book Club sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Hosted by Carnegie Librarian Jenny Ellis. Zoom link will be sent on the day of the event to anyone registered. Forever Young Adult is a 21+ book group for adults who read teen fiction.

July book: *Moment of Truth* by Kasie West.

Wednesday, July 15 7 p.m.



Adults

Virtual Friends Book Club Downtown - R

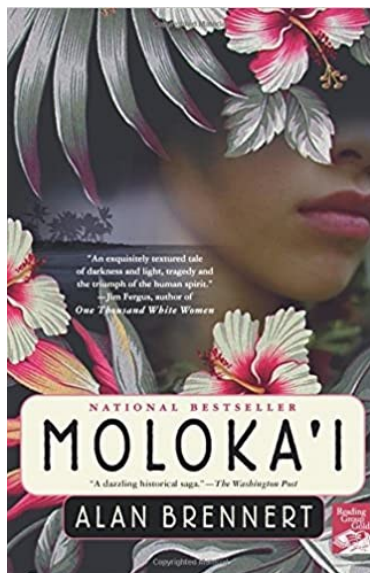
Do you love reading? Do you enjoy talking about what you're reading? You should join us for our Friends Book Club Downtown.

This will be a virtual get together. To request an invitation to the Zoom chat, email Chelsea at cphipps@sjpl.lib.mo.us

Moloka'i by Alan Brennert

Monday, July 27

6:45 p.m.



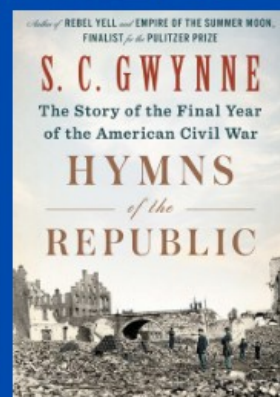
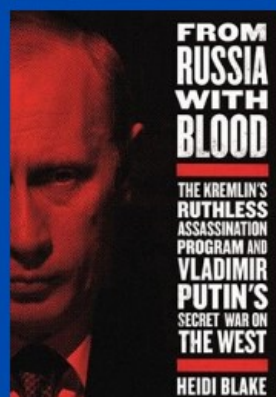
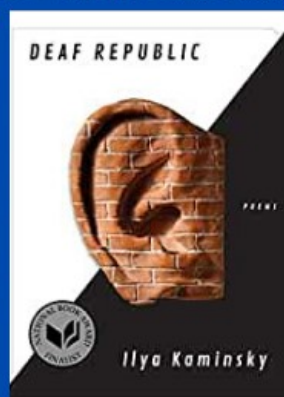
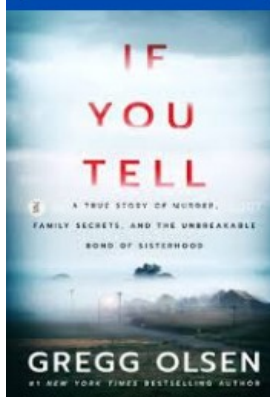
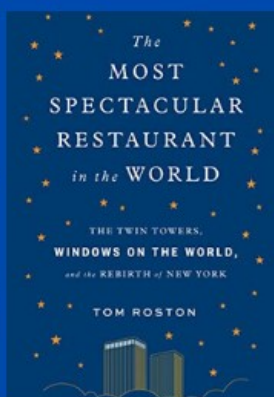
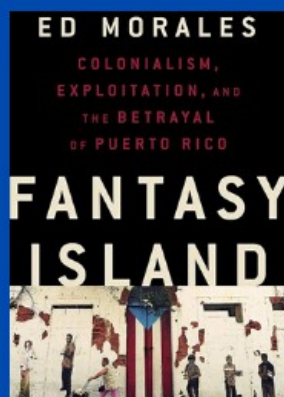
Virtual Local History Week:

July 20 - July 26

The Third Annual Local History Week and Founders Day will be virtual this year. Enjoy lots of great activities in the areas of Local History, Genealogy, and Preservation. Check out our Local History Week page at <https://sjpl.lib.mo.us/localhistoryweek/> or the library's Facebook page for more details!



New Non-Fiction

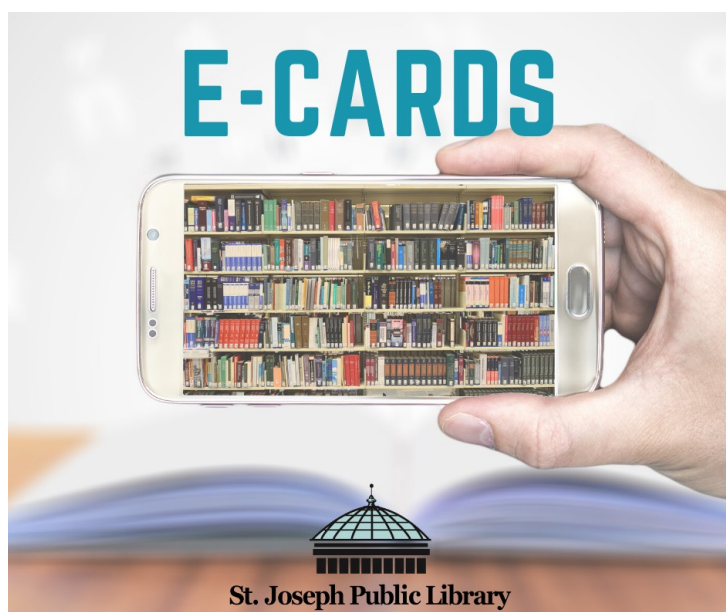


**Access interactive
children's books, puzzles,
and more through
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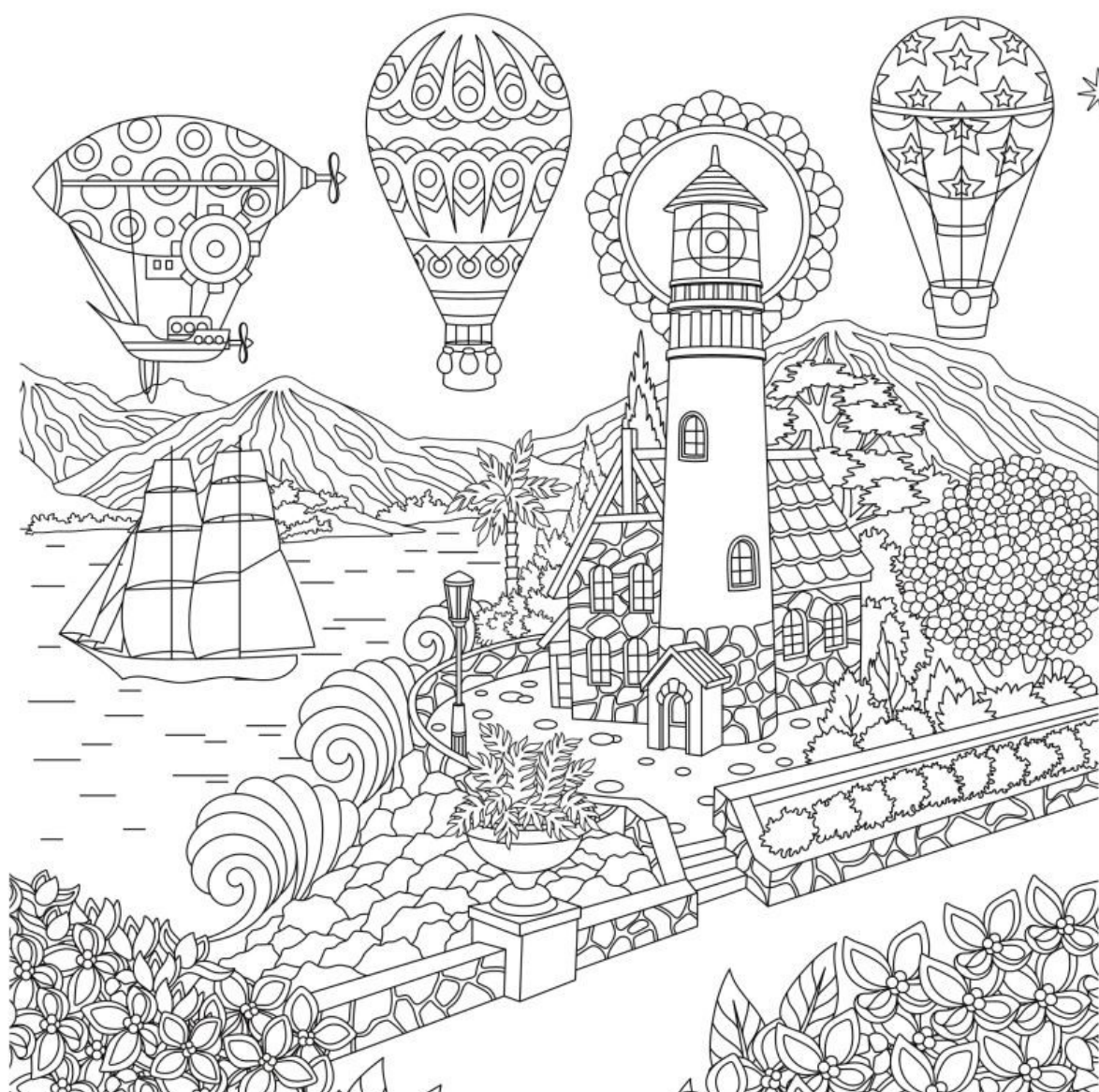
Anyone needing one-on-one computer assistance will be asked to wear a mask. The library has masks available for the public.

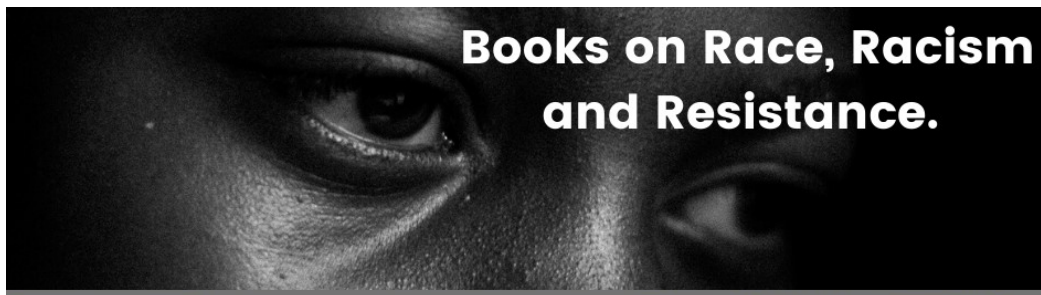


E-cards: Do you live in St. Joseph, MO and need a library card? Get an e-Card, so you can enjoy all the great electronic resources the library offers right from the safe comfort of your home. All you need to do is send your name, address, birth date and email to mrevels@sjpl.lib.mo.us. A card number will be sent to you using the email address you provide. Once you have your card number you can download eBooks and audiobooks, watch streaming TV, use all the learning databases, and more! This offer is good for online content only and available to anyone living in St. Joseph.

Since the library's Coloring Night at the East Hills Library can no longer take place, enjoy this free coloring page.

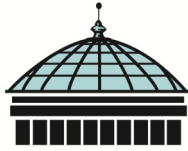
Imagine Your Story





Books can be put on hold using your library card or by contacting the library. Materials can then be picked up during library open hours or by using the Contactless Pickup Service. To browse the library's online catalog go to <https://sjpl.lib.mo.us/> and click on "Books & Materials."





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**All branches closed on
Saturday, July 4 for
Independence Day.**

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316 Massachusetts St.

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Mon., Wed., Fri. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

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502 N. Woodbine Road

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Mon. - Thur. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

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Mon., Wed., Fri. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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For full program descriptions or to register, please visit the library's event calendar at sjpl.lib.mo.us/calendar.

Several programs in this newsletter require registration and use of the Zoom platform.

For programs that do not require registration, programs can be found on the library's Facebook page and YouTube Channel.



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