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#### St. Joseph Public Library's Mission, Vision & Values:

#### **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.

#### <u>Values</u>

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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# **Library News**

### A Message from Your Library

The St. Joseph Public Library is blessed to be associated with two 501c3 organizations that exist to support the library and our community. The Friends of the St. Joseph Public Library was created in 2003 and the St. Joseph Public Library Foundation followed in 2007.

The Friends have a Board of Directors and a membership of around 130 people. They primarily raise funds through book sales and work closely with our Outreach and Promotions Coordinator, Crystal Stuck, to manage the sales. The Friends' largest yearly expense is the library's annual Summer Reading Program, which would not be possible without their support.

The Foundation has a Board of Directors, but is not a membership organization like the Friends. The Foundation manages two trusts on behalf of the library and encourages donations to help build a basis of perpetual support for the library. Laura Hutton was a vibrant young woman and nearly three years ago her family asked that donations be sent in her memory to the Library Foundation in order to purchase pet and animal related books for the East Hills Library. Over \$16,500 has been donated in Laura's memory to date and the donations will allow us to purchase books for many years to come.

Two years ago the Foundation began an annual fundraiser, *Books, Beers and Boos,* held at River Bluff Brewing. It is no surprise that the event was canceled this year and I am sad I didn't get to add a third commemorative mug to my collection. Not to worry, *Books, Beers and Boos* will be back next October!

The Foundation has held an annual fundraising drive each November and that is one activity that can safely continue this year. If you would like to contribute and don't receive a letter, please contact me at 816-232-4038 or mrevels@sjpl.lib.mo.us. The Foundation will use the funds raised this year during the drive to help the library purchase children and teen e-books. The St. Joseph Public Library is working with the St. Joseph School District to provide access to children and teen e-books to students directly through the schools, without having to get a library card. I am grateful the Foundation was so willing to help us purchase e-books for this important endeavor.

There are all sorts of ways to support the library and they include using online library resources, checking out materials, volunteering your time, donating used books and DVDs, becoming involved in the Friends or Foundation, and making a donation to the Friends, Foundation, or library. The library staff and I appreciate all the different ways you show your support of the library and together we will continue making a positive impact in St. Joseph!

Stay safe and stay well,

Mary Beth Revels



Monetary Donation: Rosie Lammoglia Volunteers: Hannah Hayes Ella Murray Curran Stuck Will Stuck



Friends of the Library Grab Bag Book Sale

East Hills Library Patio

Saturday, November 7 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.



Stock up on your winter reading and support the Friends of the Library. Purchase bags of books for \$5 each. No peeking! Each bag is stapled shut and labeled with a genre. Children's books will also have an age/reading recommendation. Bags will contain 7-10 books each and consist of paperbacks, hardbacks or a mixture. The majority of the books in this sale will be fiction, including mystery, romance, inspirational, Christmas, young adult, and children's. A few non-fiction bags will be available. All proceeds help the Friends support library services and programs. Cash, checks and cards will be accepted. Those attending the sale must wear a face mask and attempt to maintain social distancing. For more information, contact Crystal Stuck at 236-2136.

# **Book-A-Librarian**

If you miss us as much as we miss you, here is your chance to see your favorite library friends through Book-A-Librarian!

Ms. Jess from the East Hills Library and Ms. Misty from the Downtown Library will be hosting one-on-one Zoom visits upon request with local library families.

During your personalized session, children can read to their librarian, hear a story, talk about new and exciting things, introduce their pets--whatever boost YOUR family could use during these unprecedented times.

Once we receive your family's registration request, we will call you to set up an appointment and discuss the details.

Use the form on our library web calendar to Book-A-Librarian today, space is limited! The web calendar can be found at sjpl.lib.mo.us/calendar





#### Virtual SJPL Reads! Storytime

Virtual SJPL Reads with a friendly Youth Services Librarian! Check out the library's Facebook page every Tuesday morning at 10 a.m. to explore different stories and activities for all ages to enjoy.

Check out past episodes on our YouTube channel.

**Tuesdays on Facebook** 

10 a.m.

#### Virtual Storytime with Ms. Misty and Friends - R

Join Ms. Misty and friends for a Live Zoom Storytime every Thursday at 10:30 a.m. Please register to receive the Zoom link and get ready to sing, dance, read, and have so much fun!

Thursdays via Zoom

November 5, 12 & 19

10:30 a.m.

a mug you can design yourself, an easy DIY yarn coaster kit, felt cookie craft, and an activity sheet with bookmark. May not be suitable for children under 3.

One kit per child. Contact your preferred branch to pick up your kit beginning December 1. Available while supplies last during the month of December.



### **Children & Parents**

#### **DINOvember Take & Make Kit**

#### It's DINOvember!

Celebrate Dinosaurs with this fun take and make kit featuring a dinosaur mask, I spy dinosaur challenge, a hatching mini dino egg, fossil making kit, a dino standee, and an activity sheet. May not be suitable for children under 3.

One kit per child. Contact your preferred branch to pick up your kit beginning November 2. Available while supplies last during the month of November.



DINOVEMBER

#### Cookies and Cocoa Take & Make Kit

Snuggle up with cookies and cocoa! December's Take and Make kit features

Programs marked R require registration at sjpl.lib.mo.us/calendar

### **Children & Parents**

# Wacky Wednesday Take & Make

Each week a new kit will be available, featuring fun crafts that may be wacky for the time of year. Call Carnegie at 816-238-0526 to schedule a contactless pickup.

Supplies are limited. Not recommended for children under 3.

#### **Carnegie Library**

Wednesdays 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

No kit available on November 11

#### Maker Monday: Tie Dye Turkey Take & Make - R

Get ready for Thanksgiving by creating your very own tie dye turkey decorations! Check out our YouTube channel for instructions on how to put your tie dye turkey together.

Supplies are limited, call 816-232-3812 to reserve your kit and schedule your contactless pickup.

#### **Downtown Library**

Monday, November 16

#### Virtual Mythology Fan Club for Kids: Icharus and His Wings - R

Are you a mythology fan? Do you enjoy stories about fantastic creatures and Percy Jackson? Then join our Virtual Mythology Fan Club!

In this series kids will explore classic myths from different cultures with an accompanying activity. Registration is required to attend the Zoom meeting.

This club is intended for ages 10-14.

#### Via Zoom

Wednesday, November 25 4:30 p.m.

#### Maker Monday: Paper Plate Snow Globe Take & Make - R

Head over to the Downtown Library and pick up your Paper Plate Snow Globe craft kit beginning Monday, December 14th as part of our contactless pickup options. Check out our YouTube channel for instructions on how to put your snow globe together today!

Supplies are limited, call 816-232-3812 to reserve your kit and schedule your contactless pickup.

#### **Downtown Library**

Monday, December 14

# **Children** Teens

#### Virtual Minecraft Meetup - R

A 1.5 hour Minecraft playing session using the Bedrock edition (this is the version that Windows 10, Xbox, Nintendo Switch, Android and iOS all use). We also connect via Zoom to make communication during the game easier.

Thursday, Nov. 5 @ 3:30 p.m. -Achievement Quest: We will play a 'no cheats' world to gather some achievements.

Thursday, Nov. 19 @ 3:30 p.m. - Nether Exploration: Have you seen the new nether biomes? Traded with a piglin yet? Used a respawn anchor? Now is your chance.

Thursday, Dec. 3 @ 3:30 p.m. - Survival PVP: You'll have one hour to gather as many resources as you can, then it's on! We'll fight Player Vs. Player until there is only 1 player standing.

Thursday, Dec. 17 @ 3:30 p.m. -Survival building: Gather resources and build all in survival mode.

#### STEAM Take & Make: LEGO Balance - R

Use the supplies given to create your own weight balance, made of LEGO<sup>®</sup> bricks!

One kit per family; supplies limited, so registration is required to reserve your kit. Pick up your kit beginning Saturday Nov. 14 at 9 a.m.

Check out our YouTube channel for instructions. Video will be available for viewing on Nov. 14th.

Saturday, November 14

#### Virtual Creative Commons - R

Older elementary children, tweens, and teens are invited to meet up and share your poetry, writing, art, and other creative creations during our Virtual Creative Commons Zoom meet up.

Each month, we will meet to share our work as a supportive group, talk about fun projects to work on throughout the month, and socialize with other likeminded creative folks.

Space is limited. Open to children and teens ages 9-17.

#### Via Zoom

Monday, Nov. 23 & Dec. 28 4 p.m.

#### STEAM Take & Make: Exploring Energy - R

Explore potential and kinetic energy with this rubber band helicopter kit!

Pick up your kit at the East Hills Library beginning on Saturday, Dec. 12.

One kit per child in grades K-8. Please call the East Hills Library to arrange a pickup time through our contactless service. Supplies limited.

Saturday, December 12



### Teens

#### Virtual Anti-Racist Book Club - R

"Anti-racism is the active process of identifying and eliminating racism by changing systems, organizational structures, policies and practices and attitudes, so that power is redistributed and shared equitably." - NAC International Perspectives: Women and Global Solidarity

This book club is focused on challenging readers to move beyond complacency and into action. The books we read will challenge, inform and transform us as a group.

Thursdays	7 p.m.
on Nov. 5, 12, 19, Dec. 3, 10, 17	

#### Teen Take & Make: Paracord Bracelets - R

Paracord is used for a number of situations... including crafts! Pick up a kit at your preferred library and follow instructions to create your own paracord bracelet! Supplies are limited, so register to ensure you get a kit!

Wednesday, November 11

#### **First Chapter Friday**

In a reading slump? Let Kelsey fix that for you! Check out the library's YouTube channel for First Chapter Friday! Videos will feature Kelsey reading the first chapter of a recently released Young Adult book to help you discover your next read.

#### Video ready to view on YouTube on:

Friday, Nov. 13 & Dec. 11

#### Virtual World Kindness Day: Trash Pick Up

For World Kindness Day we are picking up trash in our neighborhoods. If you pick up trash for one hour between November 14 - 21, you will receive one hour of volunteer time certified by the library. Post the most interesting thing you find on Instagram with the hashtag #stjosephpubliclibrary to be entered into a prize drawing for an Amazon gift card. Email Josh at jswindler@sjpl.lib.mo.us for more information.

November 14 - 21

#### Teen Take & Make: Cupcake Soap - R

This week you'll get everything you need to make a sweet cupcake scented glycerin soap! Pick up a kit at the library of your choosing and follow our video tutorial on YouTube. Video will be live the first day kits are available for pick up. Supplies are limited, so register to ensure you get a kit.

Monday, November 23

#### Teen Take & Make: T-Shirt Dog Toys - R

It's better to give than to receive, so this month we're doing a twist on our take and make by combining it with a volunteer opportunity! We will be making t-shirt and tennis ball dog toys to donate to the St. Joseph Animal Shelter. Come by the library to pick up everything you will need to make a local dog very happy. After you have completed the toy bring it back to the library where we will be collecting the toys to donate.

Pick up a kit at the library of your choosing and follow our video tutorial on YouTube to learn how to turn a t-shirt and tennis ball into a fun toy! Video will be live the first day kits are available for pick up. Supplies are limited, so register to ensure you get a kit.

Wednesday, December 9

#### Teen Take & Make: Canvas Art - R

Put on some flannel pajamas, sip some hot chocolate & CREATE! Pick up a kit from your preferred library to make some holiday-themed canvas art. Supplies are limited and registration is required.

Wednesday, December 23

### **Adults**

#### Virtual History Speaks -Pandemic: The Ripple Effect

A follow up to our May History Speaks, *The Influenza Pandemic of 1918*. Local History Librarian, Jennifer Sanders-Tutt will explore the lasting legacy of the global pandemic.

#### Video ready to view on YouTube on:

Saturday, November 7 2 p.m.

#### Virtual DIY, Why Don't You: Naan and Curry

Join Jen as she teaches you how to make naan from start to finish. She's also going to make a mushroom curry to go with it. It's easier than you think, and though it may take a while, it's certainly worth the time.

#### Video ready to view on YouTube on:

Monday, November 9 5:30 p.m.

# Virtual True Crime Time: A

**Gangster Story** Several mobsters have pretended to be something they weren't to avoid capture or prosecution, but no one played it as well or as over the top as Vincent "Chin" Gigante. This month, Jen will share one of the function

of the funnier, though still extremely criminal, stories of a real life mafia magnate who successfully fooled authorities for over three decades.

#### Video ready to view on YouTube on:

Thursday, November 12 5:30 p.m.

#### Virtual History Speaks -Towers of St. Joseph: The Life of Harvey Ellis

Historian Trevor Tutt will examine the work and notorious life of Harvey Ellis, and his lasting impact on St. Joseph.

#### Video ready to view on YouTube on:

Saturday, December 5

2 p.m.

## **Adults**

#### Virtual True Crime Time: 'Twas the Heist Before Christmas

'Twas two days till Christmas in a small Texan town, when several armed gunmen tried to take a bank down. One of them dressed as Santa Claus came, and shortly thereafter the bullets did rain.

Learn all about the botched and deadly 1927 bank robbery attempt.

Video ready to view on YouTube on: Thursday, December 10 5:30 p.m.

#### Virtual DIY, Why Don't You: **Family Christmas Cookies**

Jen's family has passed down the recipes for traditional Christmas cookies for over 100 years. Now, she's sharing with you. You'll get to learn how to make Almond Star Cookies, Pepper Nuts, and Crisp Cookies. Jen is looking forward to sharing some of her favorite memories of the season that always seemed to include these favorite holiday treats.

Video ready to view on YouTube on: Monday, December 14 5:30 p.m.

# **Adult Book Clubs**

#### Virtual Murder, She Read: Cozy Virtual Friends Book Club Mystery Book Discussion - R

Carnegie librarian, Jenny Ellis hosts the virtual cozy mystery book club Murder, She Read. The author or a guest speaker will join the discussion halfway through the meeting. Register to receive Zoom link.

Wednesday, November 18	7 p.m.
In Peppermint Peril by Joy Avon	

Wednesday, December 16 7 p.m. Twelve Slays of Christmas by Jacqueline Frost



#### Virtual Bookish Time with Jennv

Carnegie Librarian, Jenny Ellis will discuss one of her favorite books on the library's YouTube Channel and Instagram.

#### Video ready to view on YouTube and Instagram on:

Friday, November 20 Winter time Reads	10 a.m.
Friday, December 18 Holiday Reads	10 a.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.

Saturday, November 21	4 p.m.
More Than Maybe by Erin Hahn	

Saturday, December 19 4 p.m. In a Holidaze by Christina Lauren



# 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. To request an invitation to the Zoom chat, email Chelsea at cphipps@sjpl.lib.mo.us

Monday, November 23	7 p.m.
Emma by Jane Austen	

Monday, December 21 7 p.m. A Redbird Christmas by Fannie Flagg



# **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 ukelovin' group via Zoom.

Register to receive the Zoom meeting link.

Limited to 10 users.

Mondays, Nov. 2 & Dec. 7 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 November and December is Builder's Choice. Please register to receive a link for the Zoom LEGO Club meeting.

Tuesday, Nov. 3 & Dec. 1 6:30 p.m.

#### **Check Out These LEGO Books**



Registration may not open until 30 days prior to event.



St. Joseph Public Library 927 Felix St. St. Joseph, MO 64501

#### Library Closings:

Thanksgiving November 26 & 27

Christmas December 24 & 25

New Year's Day January 1

### LIBRARY LOCATIONS

#### Carnegie Library | 816-238-0526

316 Massachusetts St. **Contactless Pickup Hours:** Mon. - Fri. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

#### Downtown Library | 816-232-7729

#### 927 Felix St.

**Contactless Pickup Hours:** Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tues. & Thur. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.



#### East Hills Library | 816-236-2136

502 N. Woodbine Road

**Contactless Pickup Hours:** Mon. - Thur. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

#### Washington Park Library | 816-232-2052

1821 N. 3rd St.

**Contactless Pickup Hours:** Mon., Wed., Fri. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tues. & Thur. 12 - 8 p.m.

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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