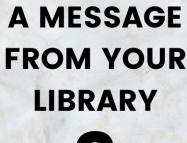


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Mission

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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Library News

A Message from Your Library

I am excited to share with you that the St. Joseph Public Library is moving to a new integrated library system (ILS) in May. An ILS is the computer software system library staff use to get books and movies ready to check by cataloging it. It is the system we use to check out materials to you. It is also the computer software behind the online catalog where you can look for books and movies, put items on reserve, and see what you currently have checked out.

SJPL is leaving the ILS company we have been with for over twenty years, SirsiDynix. We have been happy with SirsiDynix but are on a stand-alone system that only includes the books, movies, and other materials in our own collection. In May we are joining the Missouri Evergeen Consortium that has been in place since 2012. SJPL will be the 61st Missouri public library to join.

Why should you care about this? We currently have about 250,000 items in our collection of materials. Once we join Missouri Evergreen, you'll have access to over 3.5 million items. You will be able to easily borrow items from any other library in the consortium without having to make an interlibrary loan request if SJPL doesn't have the book, audiobook, or movie available for you to check out. Another big plus is that the annual fee we pay for the ILS software will be lower as a member of the Missouri Evergreen Consortium compared to what we have been paying SirsiDynix. We will use those extra funds to do things like purchase receipt printers so it is easier to track what you have checked out and when it is due.

Migrating to a new ILS is complicated and expensive. Thankfully, the project is supported by the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provision of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Missouri State Library, a division of the Office of the Secretary of State. The expense part of the equation, which totals overs \$56,000 is being reimbursed by grant funding. The complicated part? There is a lot of information that will be transferred from one system to another. Also, all of us at SJPL have to learn a new computer system and you will have to learn a new online catalog.

Can I promise you and the SJPL library staff that there won't be frustrations and problems with the migration? No. I can't imagine everything will go completely smoothly, but we'll be training staff and offering training to you on the new catalog too. Once the migration is complete, it is going to be fantastic to be a partner with so many other Missouri libraries and offer you easy access to so many more materials.

If you would like a preview of Missouri Evergreen, please visit http://moevergreenlibraries.org/.

Thank you for taking this journey with us in a few months,

Mary Beth Revels, Director

Seed Library at the Downtown and East Hills libraries Beginning in March

Spring is on the horizon which means the St. Joseph Public Library Seed Library is returning to the library. We have a variety of vegetables, herbs and flowers including beans, corn, cucumber, lettuce, melon, peas, pepper, radish, squash and tomato seeds.

Anyone interested in seeds can select up to 10 seed packets (no more than 2 of one kind) during the Downtown and East Hills Libraries regular open hours.

Gardeners who have saved seeds to share or have extras from this year's planting are encouraged to donate them to the Seed Library to help increase the inventory of seeds.

For more information about the Seed Library, please contact the Downtown Library at 232-7729.





Above: A book tree, created by Library Assistant Robbie Johnson, was on display in December at the Downtown Library lobby.

Carnegie

Wacky Wednesday Take & Make Crafts

Featuring fun crafts that might be wacky for the time of year. Available every Wednesday while supplies last.

Not recommended for children under 3.

Carnegie Library

Wednesdays All day

February & March

Yeti Crafternoon

Join us as we celebrate yetis with multiple yeti themed crafts.

Carnegie Library

Saturday, February 4 1 - 3 p.m.

St. Patrick's Day Crafternoon

Join us as we celebrate St. Patrick's Day kids-style with multiple crafts.

Carnegie Library

Saturday, March 4 1 - 3 p.m.

Downtown

Super Mario Escape Room - R

Help! The tides have turned and Bowser has captured Mario and Luigi and locked them in the library. Solve the challenges to escape the room and save them!

To learn the details about how to sign up, go to https://sjpl.librarymarket.com/ event/super-mario-escape-room-1.

Downtown Library

Monday, March 20 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Sign up begins March 6 at 10 a .m.

East Hills

Book Buddies Reading Dogs

The Book Buddies Pony Express Therapy Dogs, in partnership with the East Hills Library, are offering patrons a way to improve their reading skills in a unique and fun environment. This program utilizes therapy dogs as the listeners for readers of all ages and reading levels. Drop in anytime during this 2 hour session.

East Hills Library

10 a.m. Saturdays

February 4 & March 4

Poké Club

Poké Club is back & better than ever! Come enjoy Pokémon themed crafts and activities. All supplies provided. Bring your handheld games, cards, and art to share, and battle and trade with other Pokémon fans!

All ages are welcome. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

East Hills Library

Wednesday, February 15 4:30 p.m.

LEGO Club

LEGO Club has moved to East Hills Library! Come meet with fellow LEGO enthusiasts each month for various LEGO challenges. Can you build it?

East Hills Library

Thursdays 6 p.m.

February 16 & March 16

East Hills Library Family Movie Nights

All ages are welcome. Drinks with lids and snacks are allowed.

Happiness is a Warm Blanket, **Charlie Brown**

Monday, February 13 6 p.m.

Rated G 60 minutes



Charlotte's Web

Monday, March 13 6 p.m.

Rated G 93 minutes



Washington Park

Movie Night

Join us for movie night at the library! Bring a drink and we'll hand out the free, freshly popped popcorn.



Gnomeo & Juliet: Rated G, 84 minutes

Washington Park Library

Thursday, February 9 5 p.m.

St. Patrick's Day Craft Night

Come for craft night that has a St. Patrick's Day theme.

You are welcomed to bring something you have been working on or we will have crafts you can work on.

Washington Park Library

Thursday, March 2

5 - 7 p.m.

Saturday, February 4 Bring Your Child to the Library Day

It's National Bring Your Child to the Library Day. Bring the little Smarties in your life to any of our libraries for a sweet treat to celebrate!



1 p.m.

Downtown



Graphic Novel Club - R

Bring your own graphic novel or check out one of ours. We'll look at books that use illustrations and more complex ideas than picture books. This club will help promote reading through discussion and exploration of new titles.

This program is best for ages 8-13.

Downtown Library

Mondays 4 p.m.

February 20 & March 20

East Hills

Yoga for Kids - R

Join yoga instructor, Jamie Davis for a morning of fun and yoga for kids ages 5-12. Bring a yoga mat if you have one!

East Hills Library

10 a.m. Saturdays

February 11 & March 11

STEAM Saturday: Mini Canvas Art Project - R

Create unique artwork on a mini canvas to enter into our Mini Canvas Art Contest. We'll provide the mini canvas and art supplies, you provide the creativity. Then you can leave it for display through the month of March. Be sure to have your friends and family come vote for your artwork! See page 6 for more contest details.

East Hills Library

Saturday, February 18 1 p.m.

STEAM Saturday: Edible DNA - R

Have fun learning about DeoxyriboNucleic Acid as we extract DNA from a strawberry and make an edible DNA model.

East Hills Library

Saturday, March 18

Insects & Spiders: Missouri's Majority

Round off your spring break by learning awesome facts about Missouri's Majority: Insects and Spiders. Ms. Shelly Cox from the Remington Nature Center will teach us about the importance of insects and spiders to the ecosystem. You will also have a chance to meet a live Tarantula!

Best for Grades 1-6.

East Hills Library

Friday, March 24 11 a.m.



VALENTINE BOX WORKSHOP

Thursday, February 9 **East Hills Library**

@ 6 p.m.

Monday, February 13 **Downtown Library**

@ 3 p.m.

Boxes and basic craft supplies provided. Registration required for the East Hills Library program.



Mondays 10 a.m.

Feb 6 - Apr 24

Storytime

Washington

Park Library

Feb 7 - Apr 25 Preschool Storytime

Tuesdays

10 a.m.

East Hills Library

Wednesdays 9:30 a.m.

Feb 1 - Apr 26

Toddler

East Hills Library

Wednesdays 10:30 a.m.

Feb 1 - Apr 26

Storytime

Carnegie Library

Thursdays 10:30 a.m.

Feb 2 - Apr 27

Storytime

Downtown Library

Fridays 9:30 a.m. Feb 17 - Apr 28

East Hills Library

Downtown

Young Writer's Club

Is your child the next great author of their generation? Grow as a writer and share ideas with others. This club will captivate your child's imagination and supply instruction to help mold them into a stronger writer. For children and teens.

Downtown Library

Mondays 4 p.m. February 27 & March 27

Downtown

Valentine Cake Pops for Teens - R

Come learn how to make sweet hearts for your sweetheart. These delicious cake pops would make anyone happy on Valentine's day!

Downtown Library

Tuesday, February 7 4 p.m.

Switch It Up for Teens

Come chill out with some snacks, friends and fun games. Teens can pick which games they want to play from these options: Super Smash Bros, Mario Kart, Mario Party Superstars, or Pico Park.

Downtown Library

Wednesdays 5 p.m. February 15 & March 15

Book It and Cook It: Biscuits and Gravy - R

Want to learn how to make tasty meals for yourself at home? This is a good first step into culinary creation. We will show you the basics of how to cook, and the best part? You get to chow down on whatever you make afterwards.

On this day of Cook it and Book it we will be making everything for biscuits and gravy.

Downtown Library

Tuesday, February 21 5 p.m.

East Hills



Paracord Bracelets for Teens - R

Come make these cool tactical bracelets with us at the Downtown Library.

Downtown Library

Tuesday, February 28 4 p.m.

Teen After Hours: St. Patty's Minute to Win It - R

This isn't a sham, we are gonna rock your world! Come join us for fun minute to win it games themed around St. Patrick's day. Make sure you wear your greens!

Must be 12-17 years old to attend.

Downtown Library

Friday, March 17 6 - 8 p.m.

Book It and Cook It: Taco Bar - R

Want to learn how to make tasty meals for yourself at home? This is a good first step into culinary creation. In this series we will show you the basics of how to cook, and the best part? You get to chow down on whatever you make afterwards.

On this day, we will be making all the fixin's for a taco bar.

Downtown Library

Tuesday, March 21 5 p.m.



East Hills

Teen After Hours: Anti-Valentine's Day Party - R

Do hearts and the color pink make you nauseous? Do you think Cupid is stupid? If you don't fall for this over-rated



Hallmark holiday, do we have the party for you!

We will make black duct tape roses, put together Emergency Break-Up kits, take our frustrations out on a heart pinata and more.

Must be 12-17 years old to attend.

East Hills Library

Friday, February 17 6 - 8 p.m.

Go Green: Teen Service Hour Opportunity - R

Knock out a few of your required service hours while directly helping our community. Meet us at East Hills Library to help clean up the library grounds.

Registration is required. Remember to bring your service logs to be credited for your time.

East Hills Library

Wednesday, March 22

2 - 4 p.m.

Downtown

Absolute Beginners Cooking Basics - R

In this basic cooking class, we will teach you how to be safe in the kitchen. You can't start cooking like a pro until you first learn how to: not burn down your kitchen, keep your food from spoiling, or how to not cut your fingers off with a knife.

Downtown Library

Thursday, February 2 6 p.m.

Loose Ends Crafting Club

Do you feel like you have projects that you just keep setting aside? Make dedicating time to working on your crafts a resolution you can keep and make some friends at the library in the process! Drop in with your projects and work alongside other people dedicating themselves to their crafts. Light refreshments and a friendly atmosphere guaranteed.

Downtown Library

Mondays

5 p.m.

February 6 & 13



DIY, Why Don't You: Valentine's Day Candle - R

Do you have a burning desire to make candles? Want to make a custom gift for the flame in your life? Melt your own wax, choose your own scent, and decorate your own jar to make a present that no one else could hold a candle to.

Downtown Library

Thursday, February 9 6 p.m.

Yes, and Improv for Adults - R

Have you always wanted to try improv, but didn't want to pay for a class? This is your opportunity to employ the "yes, and" principle and see how well you can roll with unscripted fun. Get ready to think on your feet. Yes, and it's free at the library!

Downtown Library

Tuesdays 5 p.m. February 14 & March 14

Drinks You're Sure to Love - R

Join Janie as she demonstrates how to make some of her favorite feel-good drinks. On the drink menu for the evening will be Mango Lassi, Chai Tea, and Hot Chocolate, all from scratch using ingredients most people have sitting in their pantries already.

Downtown Library

Monday, February 20 6 p.m.

Eggs 4 Ways - R

Looking for a versatile source of protein? It doesn't get much better than the incredible, edible egg. We will be learning to prepare perfectly hardboiled eggs, delicious fried eggs, scrambled eggs, and omelets.

Downtown Library

Thursday, March 2 6 p.m.



DIY, Why Don't You: Leprechaun Gnomes - R

Have you fallen in love with the cute gnome craze like we have? Make your own little Lazy Leprechaun to add to your collection.

Downtown Library

True Crime Time: Menendez Madness

You've all heard of the Menendez brothers. Charming,

devoted sons who adored their parents...maybe not so

much. This is a lot to unpack on this story, so prepare

Thursday, March 9 6 p.m.



True Crime Time: Lonely Hearts Killers

This Valentine's Day season, let's celebrate the joys of being single, or at least not being murdered by a suitor. Jen will tell you the story of the couple appropriately coined the Lonely Hearts Killers.

Downtown Library

Thursday, February 23

6 p.m.

Thursday, March 23

Downtown Library

to run a little long.

6 p.m.

Join us each month to learn about interesting, mysterious and terrible crimes. Descriptions and images used in this series are not suitable for children or the squeamish.

East Hills

PALentine's Day Social - R

Making friends as an adult can be stressful and scary. Let us take the awkwardness out of it! Join us for a night of friendship speed dating. We'll provide light refreshments and conversation starters.

For adults age 18 and older.

East Hills Library

Wednesday, February 8 6 p.m.

BINGO Night

Join us for a fun-filled night of BINGO! Will you get the lucky numbers and win a prize? Will you BINGO on a regular BINGO or four corners or a black-out?

East Hills Library

Mondays 6 p.m.

February 20 & March 20

Trualta: Preparing and Supporting Caregivers

Buchanan County has partnered with Trualta to provide a free online resource for anyone caring for aging loved ones, grandchildren, or loved ones with a disability. During this session, participants will learn how to navigate the online platform, connect with local caregiving resources, and have the opportunity to ask questions about their caregiving situation.

Darci Henry is a licensed nursing home administrator with over 16 years of experience working in senior living communities and inpatient senior behavioral healthcare. Also certified as a therapeutic recreation specialist and a dementia practitioner, Darci is using her clinical experience to foster relationships with caregivers and providers to ensure they have access to pertinent resources, setting them up for success.

East Hills Library

Wednesday, February 22 6 p.m. Thursday, February 23 10 a.m.

Casual Commander Club

This is a club for all those who love Magic the Gathering. Bring your own Magic the Gathering commander format* deck to battle and destroy your friends and strangers. The Commander format is all about picking your hero and building a deck around them. In this casual, multiplayer format, you choose a legendary creature to serve as your commander and build the rest of your deck around their color identity and unique abilities.

*The deck must have 100 cards, including your commander and power level 8 and under decks recommended. Time to devour your enemies!

East Hills Library

Thursdays 6 - 8 p.m.

February 23 & March 23





Hosted by movie critic, Bob Shultz. Free popcorn provided and drinks with lids welcome. All ages welcome, but please be mindful of the movie rating if bringing children.

East Hills Library

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February 21	Amsterdam	R, 2022, 134 min.	
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March 7	Nobody	R, 2021, 92 min.	
March 14	Waking Ned Devine	PG, 1998, 92 min.	
March 21	Goldfinger	PG, 1964, 112 min.	
March 28	Doctor Zhivago	PG, 1965, 200 min.	



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As part of their mission, the Friends financially supports monthly book clubs and the Friends Front Row Tuesday Night Film Series.

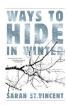
BOOK CLUBS

Virtual and In Person

Downtown Library Book Club

Downtown Library - 4th Monday - 6:30 p.m.

February 27 - Ways to Hide in Winter by Sarah St. Vincent March 27 - The Scent Keeper by Erica Bauermeister





East Hills Library Book Club

East Hills Library - 3rd Tuesday - 10 a.m.

February 21 - *The Villa* by Rachel Hawkins March 21 - *The Christie Affair* by Nina de Gramot





BYOBook

Washington Park Library - 1st Thursday - 3 p.m.

BYOB: Bring your own books! If you like to talk about books you are reading, join us for an informal discussion about what you have been reading. Diana will have a show and tell about new and exciting books in the library that you can check out.

February 2

March 2



Afternoon Tea Book Club

Alchemy Tea Co, 617 Felix St. - Saturdays - 4 p.m.

February 25 - *In the Shadow Garden* by Liz Parker March 25 - *The Lost Witch* by Paige Crutcher



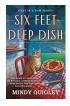


Virtual Murder, She Read: Cozy Mystery Book Discussion with Author - R

Virtual on Zoom - Wednesdays - 7 p.m.

February 22 - *Dead and Gondola* by Ann Claire March 29 - *Six Feet Deep Dish* by Mindy Quigley





Virtual Murder, She Read: Special Edition Harper Kincaid Virtual Launch Party - R

Harper Kincaid was our first author to visit Murder She Read way back in August 2020. Join us as we celebrate the launch of her next book *A Midsummer Night's Scheme*. There will be giveaways. No reading is required. It's not a traditional discussion since we'll be celebrating the release of her latest book.



Virtual on Zoom

Saturday, March 25

10 a.m.



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Above: Almost 250 patrons attended the East Hills Library's Noon Year's Eve celebration to ring in 2023.

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Carnegie Library | 816-238-0526

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Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tues., Thurs. 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Downtown Library | 816-232-7729

927 Felix St.

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

Mon. - Thur. 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Fri. - Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

East Hills Library | 816-236-2136

502 N. Woodbine Road

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

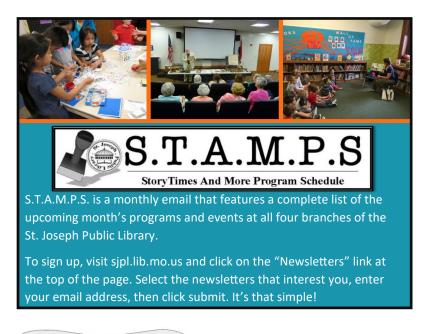
Mon. - Thur. 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Fri. - Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Washington Park Library | 816-232-2052

1821 N. 3rd St.

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





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