



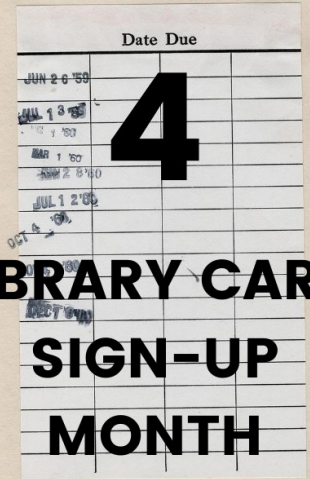
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## St. Joseph Public Library's Mission, Vision & Values:

### 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.

### 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.

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Access the:

- Online Card Catalog
- Kids & Teen Pages
- Reference Page
- Calendar of Events
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- Digital Archives
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## A Message from Your Library

September may not be the beginning of the year, but it always gives off the aura of newness to me. A new school year is just beginning and even though it is still hot outside, signs of fall are starting to emerge. Of course, this is 2020 so we're not having a typical September. One thing that is the same as in years past is that we are celebrating Library Card Sign-Up Month. This year's theme is *Libraries are Wonderful* and we have some wonderfully fun activities for you to do this month. Read all about it in the newsletter!

Something new for us at the library is offering mobile hotspots to check out. You can "checkout the world" with one of 20 new hotspots. The mobile hotspot project is supported by the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, as administered by the Missouri State Library, a division of the Office of the Secretary of State.

That's the official wording I have to use related to the grant funding we received. In plain language, I am thrilled the St. Joseph Public Library received grant funding connected to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. Those funds allowed us to purchase 20 T-Mobile hotspots, along with two years of service.

The hotspots may be checked out for three weeks, and if no one else is waiting they can be renewed twice. One person, 17 years of age or older, per household is welcome to check out a hotspot, as long as they have a valid St. Joseph Public Library card in good standing and sign a checkout agreement.

The new hotspots are an extension of the free WiFi service offered at all of the library branches. But now that connection can be taken home. The hotspot provides internet access to up to 15 devices at a time. It is portable so devices can be connected at home, in the park, or even on vacation.

With the mobile hotspot program we hope to reach families who might not have access to the internet at home, people who need access to apply for a job or housing, those who want to connect to our online or streaming services, or just anyone who wants to connect in all of the ways that many of us take for granted.

Ask a librarian at any of our branches how to check out a hotspot, or put one on reserve yourself by searching "hotspot" in our online catalog.

St. Joseph is a diverse community with a variety of information needs, and we are happy to continue to offer new solutions from the library that help make life better.

Stay safe and stay well,

Mary Beth Revels

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## BOOK MATCH

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In a reading rut? Don't know what to pick up next? Curious about what the librarians would suggest? Use our Book Match service to get personalized recommendations just for you. Just fill out the form at <https://sjpl.lib.mo.us/library-services/book-match/> or find it under the Library Services tab on our website. We'll get back to you as soon as we can with a list of books linked to our catalog!

For more information about the library's Book Match Service, contact Chelsea at 232-7729.



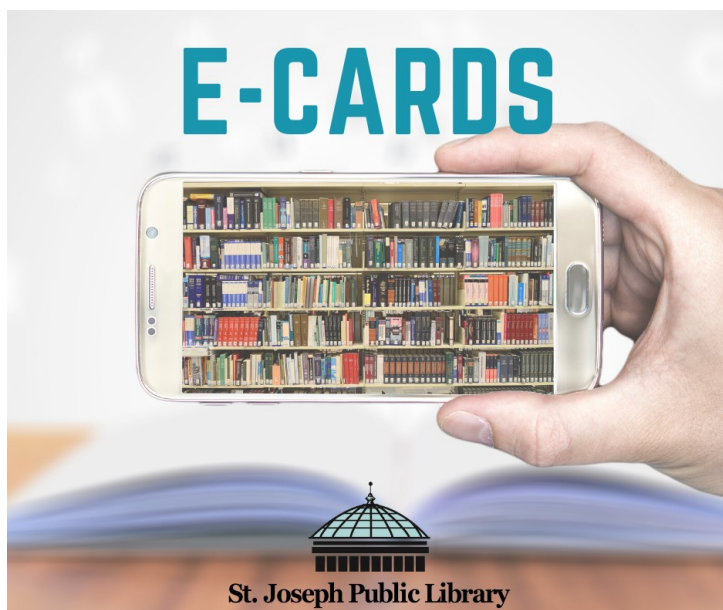


## Library Card Virtual Scavenger Hunt

Wonder Woman wants you to lasso up your own library card! Get one during Library Card Sign-up Month this September! Whether you come to the library for your library card or sign-up for an E-card, you'll have a world of information and entertainment at hand.

While we can't have the traditional programs to celebrate Library Card Sign-up Month inside the library, we decided to take the celebration outdoors! All month long the library will be hosting a Virtual Scavenger Hunt. Just follow the library on Facebook at [facebook.com/stjoepubliclibrary](https://facebook.com/stjoepubliclibrary) or on Instagram at [Instagram.com/stjosephpubliclibrary](https://Instagram.com/stjosephpubliclibrary) where you'll find us posting a wonderfully large library card at secret places in St. Joseph. You comment on the social media post and tell us where the library card is, and you'll be entered to win a family prize pack worth over \$100! Better yet, take a pic of yourself with your library card at the secret location and earn two extra entries. Play all month long to build up your number of entries and a winner will be chosen at random on October 1.

More wonderful news! Replacement library cards are FREE during the month of September. Lost your card? Is your card dirty or torn? Come in and get a new one absolutely free. Kids, don't forget to pick up your Libraries are Wonderful Kits. More info on those kits can be found on page 5.



**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 [mreveals@sjpl.lib.mo.us](mailto:mreveals@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.

## Children & Parents

### Take and Make: Libraries are Wonderful Kits

The most important school supply is a library card! With access to technology, innovative programming, and educational resources, a library card gives students of all ages the tools to succeed in school. Celebrate Library Card Sign-up Month with our Libraries are Wonderful Take and Make Kit beginning on September 1st while supplies last. Kit includes: Child's first card application, foam airplane craft, crayons, activity sheet, and a library card holder craft.

Contact your preferred branch to pick up your kit beginning September 1st. Available while supplies last during the month of September.

### Wacky Wednesday Take and Make

Each week crafts will be available for pickup any time throughout the day. Featuring fun crafts that may be wacky for the time of year.

Supplies are limited. Not recommended for children under 3.

#### Carnegie Library

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

### Maker Monday: Balloon Hovercraft Take and Make - R

Make your own balloon hovercraft and see if you can make it float! Pick up your kit at the Downtown Library beginning Monday, September 21st. Check out our YouTube channel for instructions on how to put your hovercraft together.

Kits are limited! Register for your kit, or call 232-3812 to pick yours up today!

#### Downtown Library

Monday, September 21 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## Children Teens

### STEAM Take and Make: Stress Balls

Stress is high in our current environment. Help kids cope with stress management techniques, including making their own stress ball out of water beads and a balloon. We'll provide the

supplies and suggested resources, all you have to do is pick up the kit and follow the instructions. Kit includes: water beads, balloon and a resource list.

Recommended age: 8-18, not suitable for children under 3. We will have kits ready for families that include enough supplies for 1, 2, 3 or 4 kids. Let us know which one you need when you call or come in. Supplies limited.

#### East Hills Library

Saturday, September 12 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### Virtual Minecraft Meetup

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 Sept. 10:** Survival Co-op play. Our goal is to get enough diamonds to make diamond armor for all team members.

**Thursday, Sept. 24:** Achievement quest. We will play a 'no cheats' world to try to get some in-game achievements.



### 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.

### Storytime at Home Kickoff Kits

Storytime at Home Kickoff Kits are coming to the Downtown and East Hills Libraries! Each kit will include everything you need to follow along with our live Virtual Storytimes on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m., or use the contents to recreate your own storytime session at home!

Kits will be available beginning September 1st.

### 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 Zoom link and get ready to sing, dance, read, and have so much fun!

Thursdays via Zoom 10:30 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, September 1 7 p.m.

### Take and Make for Teens: Taco Cord Holders - R

Earbuds tangled? Fix that problem with our DIY taco cord holders. Pick up a kit at the library of your choosing and follow our video tutorial on YouTube.

Wednesday, Sept 9 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### Virtual What's Up(Cycle)? T-Shirt Bags

Turn a shirt that is too small, too worn, too (insert word here) into a tote bag! Follow Kelsey's instructions on our YouTube channel. Please note that this craft is not a Take and Make kit.

Video ready to view on YouTube on:

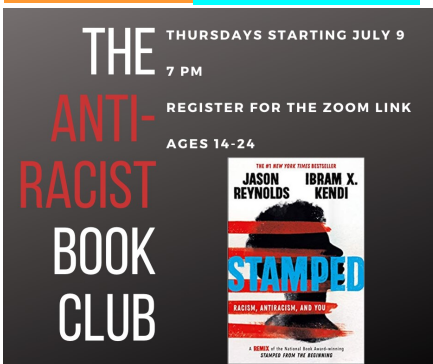
Wednesday, September 16

### Take and Make for Teens: Animal Crossing Coasters - R

Follow our patterns to make some Animal Crossing coasters that feature your favorite characters! Kits include a pegboard and perler beads. Instructions will be posted on our YouTube channel on the day kits become available. Supplies are limited.

Wednesday, Sept 23 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## Teens Adults



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### Virtual Community Voices

In this monthly series we interview different community members to learn about how they came to live here, what they are currently doing in our community and what their hopes for the future are.

Video ready to view on YouTube:

Tuesday, September 29 2 p.m.

## Adults

### Virtual Bookish Time with Jenny: Episode 5

Carnegie Librarian, Jenny Ellis discusses Mary Alice Monroe's *The Book Club* on the library's YouTube Channel and Instagram.

Video ready to view on YouTube and Instagram on:

Friday, September 4 10 a.m.

### Virtual History Speaks: Torn in Shreds: A Town on Two Sides of History

This presentation examines St. Joseph's problematic history with slavery and the struggle to stay in the Union leading up to the Civil War.

Video ready to view on YouTube on:

Saturday, September 5 2 p.m.

### Virtual True Crime Time: Weird but True

Some incidents seem completely impossible to explain. How could a family be murdered with no apparent suspects but ghosts? How could a young woman end up dead on a rooftop after disappearing from an elevator? Why do so many severed feet wash up along the Pacific Northwest shoreline?

Video ready to view on YouTube on:

Thursday, September 10 5:30 p.m.

### Virtual DIY, Why Don't You: Oodles of Noodles

Whether with sauces or in soups, noodles are one of the most versatile foods. They are also fun and easy to make from scratch! Join Olivia Wildhagen-Piercy as she demonstrates how to make a couple different kinds of noodles from start to finish.

Video ready to view on YouTube on:

Monday, September 14 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.

September book: *The Light in Hidden Places* by Sharon Cameron

Saturday, September 26 4 p.m.

### 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. To request an invitation to the Zoom chat, email Chelsea at [cphipps@sjpl.lib.mo.us](mailto:cphipps@sjpl.lib.mo.us)

September book: *The Other Side of Everything* by Lauren Doyle Owens

Monday, September 28 7 p.m.

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

Carnegie librarian, Jenny Ellis hosts the virtual cozy mystery book club Murder, She Read. The author will join the discussion halfway through the meeting.

September book: *A Spell for Trouble* by Esme Addison

Wednesday, September 30 7 p.m.

## 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, September 14 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 September is Builder's Choice. Please register to receive a link for the Zoom LEGO Club meeting.

Tuesday, September 1 6:30 p.m.

### Virtual Bookish Yoga with Vickey Meyer - R

Sometimes when we read, we work ourselves into all sorts of weird positions. Stretch out your body with these yoga sequences meant to get all of those reading kinks out. Make sure to check out Vickey's other work at the Yoga Room!

Video ready to view on YouTube on:

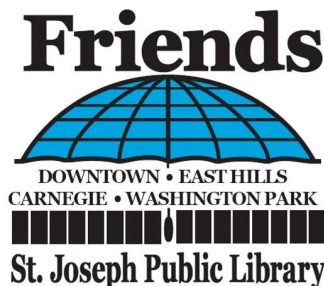
Tuesday, September 8 & 22

## Friends of the Library Book Sales at East Hills Library

The Friends of the Library are sorry to announce that their annual Fall Book Sale in October has been cancelled. The sale has been rescheduled to take place April 15-19, 2021 at the East Hills Shopping Center. However, the Friends do want to offer patrons the opportunity to get their hands on some great books!

During the month of September, there will be smaller, outdoor book sales at the East Hills Library. These sales will take place on the patio on the east side of the building. Tables will be spaced apart to allow social distancing, and face masks will be required for those browsing the book sale tables. Subject to cancellation depending on weather. Check the library's website and Facebook page for any updates.

All forms of payment will be accepted: cash, check or card. Prices will be \$1 for paperbacks, books-on-cd and music on CD, \$2 for hardback books. If you have any questions about these sales, please contact Crystal Stuck at 236-2107.



### MUSIC & BOOKS-ON-CD

Wednesday,  
September 9  
1 – 5 p.m.

### CHILDREN'S & YOUNG ADULT BOOKS

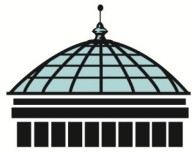
Saturday,  
September 12  
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

### MYSTERY & ROMANCE BOOKS

Wednesday,  
September 16  
1 – 5 p.m.

### NON-FICTION BOOKS

Wednesday,  
September 23  
1 – 5 p.m.



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St. Joseph, MO 64501

All branches closed on  
Monday, September 7 for  
Labor Day

## LIBRARY LOCATIONS

### Carnegie Library | 816-238-0526

316 Massachusetts St.

**Open Hours:**

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

**Contactless Pickup Hours:**

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

### Downtown Library | 816-232-7729

927 Felix St.

**Open & Contactless Pickup Hours:**

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

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

502 N. Woodbine Road

**Open & Contactless Pickup Hours:**

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

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

1821 N. 3rd St.

**Open Hours:**

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

**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](http://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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