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**Read for a
Better World**

Winter Reading
2022



January 1-31

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St. Joseph Public Library will participate in Beanstack's 5th Annual Winter Reading Challenge, "Read for a Better World," sponsored by Lerner. Read at least one book during the month to help us meet our community goal of 500 books read in January. All you have to do is keep track of your reading on our Beanstack site at sjplibrary.beanstack.org. Join us and the thousands of other libraries and schools across the nation to keep reading this winter!

Each reader will be entered to win a grand prize. When the community goal of 500 books is reached, a lucky library patron will get to "Pie a Librarian" on Facebook Live. At 1000 books, Sports Reporter/Anchor Chris Roush will get a pie in the face and at 1500 books, Chief Meteorologist Mike Bracciano will receive a pie in the face. Happy reading, St. Joseph!

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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.

A Message from Your Library

Last year at this time I was desperate to say goodbye to 2020 and was so sure that 2021 was going to be a much better year. My unrealistic expectation was that the pandemic would be over in 2021 and the horribly divisive election was over so the American political scene was going to improve too. So here we are at the end of 2021 and the one thing Americans can agree on is that we still have some issues.

I am going to enthusiastically greet 2022 but lower my expectations a bit on expecting everything to magically improve.

One happy thing that will happen immediately in 2022 is the restoration of some library hours. The Carnegie and Washington Park libraries will return to being open six days a week, Monday through Saturday and the Downtown and East Hills libraries will return to open hours on Sundays, restoring our 7-day service week. See the back cover for library hours. Be on the lookout for other changes in services in early 2022.

Did you get a new electronic device in December? Did you know that you can schedule a one-on-one tech session with a librarian? We can help you set up access on your device to library eContent and streaming services. We'll show you how to read or listen to a book on your phone or other device. The same goes for showing you how to stream music or a movie through one of the services the library subscribes to. Even if your device isn't new and you could still use a session on improving your skills on it, we are happy to help. Call or visit your preferred branch to set up a session.

The library also offers informational databases on a myriad of topics from genealogy and history to car repair to legal forms, investing, health, Veteran's services, tutoring help and more. To see a full list of what we offer visit the Databases and eMedia page on our website at <https://sjpl.lib.mo.us/databases/>. One not so happy piece of news I need to share is that Ancestry Library Edition is restricted again to in-library use only. Remote access was temporarily offered during the pandemic but after nearly two years, the company removed the access as of December 31, 2021. You are welcome to visit any of our libraries to still access Ancestry Library Edition and HeritageQuest will continue to be available in or outside of the library.

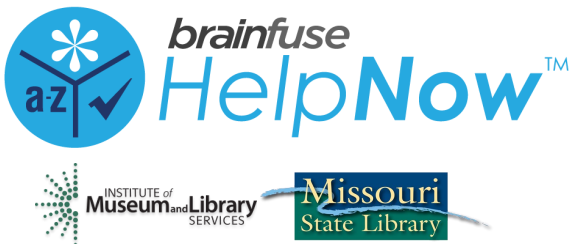
I am sure that 2022 will bring its own challenges and we will continue to face and overcome them as a library, community, and nation. I hope to see you in 2022 and if you haven't visited the library in a while come back and see for yourself all we have on offer.

Be well,

Mary Beth Revels

Live Online Tutoring with Brainfuse HelpNow

Brainfuse HelpNow is a unique tutoring and study suite designed to help library patrons of all ages. Brainfuse offers on-demand, one-to-one online homework help, homework tools, comprehensive writing assistance and more. Brainfuse has thousands of high-caliber tutors in virtually every academic subject area. All tutors undergo a multi-step evaluation and training process. To find out more or to use Brainfuse HelpNow, visit the library's database webpage at <https://sjpl.lib.mo.us/databases>.



Memorial Bench at the East Hills Library in memory of Grace Frisch donated by her family.



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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

10:30 a.m.



If you'd like more one-on-one time with us, here is your chance to have a visit with your favorite library friends through Book-A-Librarian!

Ms. Jess from the East Hills Library and Ms. Misty from the Downtown Library host 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.

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. The web calendar can be found at sjpl.lib.mo.us/calendar.

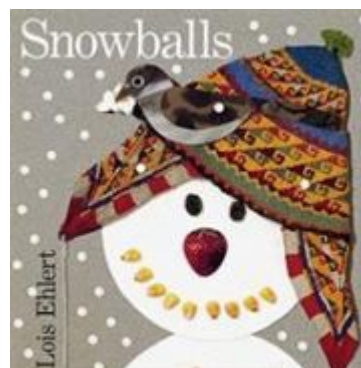
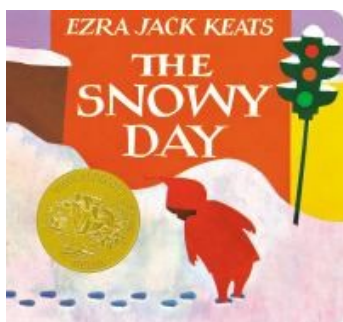
Checkers Library TV

From the creators of Reading Roadtrip comes Snoozer's Storytime Adventures, a new Checkers TV program that brings children's books to life in new and innovating ways! Join Snoozer and Mrs. Hamilton for an inspiring story, DIY craft, and song during each episode. Visit our Checkers TV webpage to access our most recent Storytime Adventure-- a new episode will be posted every two weeks throughout winter and spring. The first episode will be January 16.



Activity materials can be printed directly from the library's Checkers TV webpage at sipl.lib.mo.us/ctv or you can pick up a free packet of craft prints at any St. Joseph Public Library branch. Crafts will be available one week before and after the program date, while supplies last!

Check Out these Winter Reads!

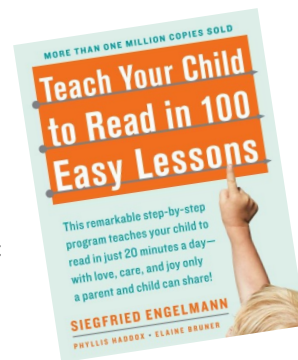


Teach Your Child to Read in 2022!

If you know a young child who is ready to learn how to read, then check out this tried-and-true book:

Teach Your Child to Read in 100 Easy Lessons by Siegfried Engelmann

This remarkable, step-by-step program provides easy-to-implement lessons to teach your child to read in under a half hour a day. With no additional supplies or resources required, this book offers 100 interactive reading lessons, fully illustrated and color-coded for clarity, to give your child the basic and more advanced skills needed to become a good reader. Unsure if this resource is a good option for you? Ask a St. Joseph Public Library children's librarian for more information. We would love to help you get your child ready to read!



Early Literacy Resources at the City of St. Joseph Health Department

As part of the library's Spotlight on Literacy grant project, the St. Joseph Public Library Foundation purchased five Launchpad Pre-K Academy tablets for children to enjoy during their visits at the local Health Department clinic.

Launchpad Pre-K Academy gives preschool-aged children 5 different paths to explore on their way to kindergarten. Using this Academy can help little learners develop the skills needed to enter their first year of school and inspire them to try new things with confidence.

Throughout 2022, the library will also provide free books for young children visiting the clinic at the Health Department and invite families with young children to participate in the ongoing 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program. This partnership

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.



To register your child age 0-6 years in the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program, visit any one of the St. Joseph Public Library locations or visit <https://sjplibrary.beanstack.org/>. Additional Launchpad tablets are available for patron use at the East Hills Library. Visit the library's online catalog and search "Launchpad" to see the tablets available for checkout.

MALL STORYTIME



Tuesday, January 18 @ 11 a.m.

Meet Ms. Jess at the center court carousel in the East Hills Shopping Center for a fun-filled, IN-PERSON storytime!
Geared to children ages 0-6 and their caregivers.

Children & Parents

Tricky Tuesdays: Take & Make - R

Stop by Washington Park Library every Tuesday to grab a fun Take & Make craft while supplies last.

Washington Park Library

Tuesdays 12 - 6 p.m.

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 check availability.

Supplies are limited. Not recommended for children under 3.

Carnegie Library

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

STEAM Take & Make: Ice Lantern - R

Make your own candle holder out of ICE! Can be done outside on a cold day, or in your freezer on a warm day. Supplies include an LED tea light candle. For grades K - 8th.

Indicate preferred branch when signing up.

Kit available for pickup:

Saturday, January 8

Maker Monday: Waterless Snow Globe - R

Create your own adorable, mess-free winter scene with our waterless snow globe kit.

Indicate preferred branch when signing up.

Kit available for pickup

Monday, January 10



Virtual Wizarding World Fan Club and Take & Make - R

Join this recurring program where there is talk of all things wizards and witches and enjoy some fun activities revolving around the magical wizarding world.

This month will feature a floating candle take and make.

Registration is required to attend the Zoom meeting. This club is intended for ages 10-14.

Via Zoom

Wednesday, January 26 4 p.m.

Teens

Teen Take & Make: Sock Snowman - R

Do you love snowmen but hate getting cold? Then this DIY snowman craft is perfect for you!

Indicate preferred branch when signing up.

Kit available for pickup:

Wednesday, January 12

Virtual Teen Author's Club - R

A virtual monthly meetup with aspiring young writers to discuss their works, gain feedback, and explore exciting new trends in literature. Register online or email Josh at jswindler@sjpl.lib.mo.us.

Wednesday, January 12 4 p.m.

Virtual Teen Book Club

The Virtual Teen Book Club will meet on the second and fourth Thursday of the month at 4 p.m. In January we will discuss books that participants are currently reading or favorite titles. So bring your favorite recommendations with you!

Thursday, January 13 & 27

Teen Take & Make: Pinecone Bird Feeder - R

SEASONS TWEETINGS! This craft is a HOOT!

Pick up this take & make kit to make your own Pinecone Bird Feeder.

Indicate preferred branch when signing up.

Kit available for pickup:

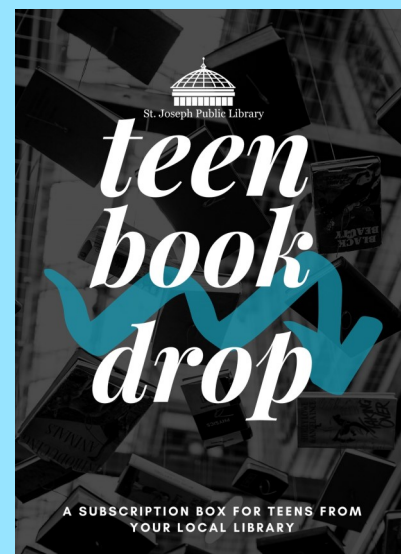
Wednesday, January 26

TEEN BOOK DROP

Teen Book Drop is a subscription service that offers teens ages 12-18 some bookish goodies (that you get to keep) and a book chosen to meet your specifications (that you'll have to return to the library...sorry!).

We look forward to sending great books and fun stuff your way, but first we need you to fill out our survey. You must have a St. Joseph Public Library card to participate in this service. Don't have a card? Don't worry. You can apply for one here: <https://sjpl.lib.mo.us/juvenile-library-card-application/>

Sign-up is limited, so reserve your spot now at <https://sjpl.lib.mo.us/st-joseph-public-library-teens/teen-book-drop/>



Adults

Crafty Sew 'n' Sews to Go

Grab an easy, fun, and functional crafting kit geared towards adults who like to craft. Available while supplies last.

Washington Park Library

Kit available for pickup:
Thursday, January 6

Virtual DIY, Why Don't You: Puzzle Art Take & Make

Visit the Downtown Library this month to get a kit including a canvas, some stencils and puzzle pieces. You can choose one of the stencils or design your own to glue puzzle pieces on creating a beautiful mosaic effect.

Pick up at the Downtown Library while supplies last on:

Monday, January 10

Perky Puzzlers

Do you love solving puzzles? Enjoy boredom-busting, brain-teasing activities such as crossword puzzles, word searches, sudoku, jigsaw puzzles, and more. We'll supply you with your own activity books, pencils, pens, and other fun supplies necessary to get you enjoying a new, stress-melting hobby. Available while supplies last.

Washington Park Library

Kit available for pickup:
Thursday, January 13

Adult Quick Craft: Hot Cocoa Bombs

Warm up this winter with a hot cocoa bomb take & make

Pick up at the East Hills Library while supplies last on:

Monday, January 24



Adult

Virtual Bookish Time with Jenny

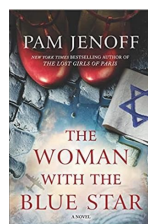
Carnegie librarian, Jenny Ellis, discusses some of her favorite books on the library's YouTube channel and Instagram.

Friday, January 14

10 a.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



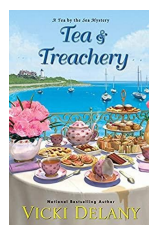
Monday, January 24

7 p.m.

The Woman with the Blue Star by Pam Jenoff

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 or a guest speaker will join the discussion halfway through the meeting. Register to receive Zoom link.



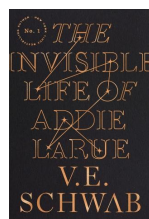
Wednesday, January 26

7 p.m.

Tea and Treachery by Vicki Delany

Virtual Afternoon Tea Book Club - R

A book club sponsored by the Friends of the Library. For adults that enjoy reading a mix of adult and young adult books. Hosted by Carnegie Librarian Jenny Ellis.



Saturday, January 29

4 p.m.

The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue by V.E. Schwab

All Ages

Virtual Ukulele Strum & Sing-Along - R

Join other uke-lovin' folks for a monthly Zoom meet up. Beginners are welcome, but the session is intended for uke players with a basic understanding of chords and strumming.

Register to receive the Zoom meeting link.

Limited to 10 users.

Monday, January 3

6 p.m.

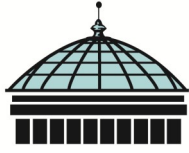
Mitten Tree Returns to Washington Park Library

Washington Park staff are happy to announce the return of their Mitten Tree.

The Mitten Tree has been a long standing tradition at the library to provide free hats, scarves, mittens, gloves and socks for patrons, both young and old, who are in need during the winter months.

Staff and patrons have donated items to help keep this tradition alive. Any donations for our neighbors in need are happily accepted all year long. For more information or to make a donation, contact the Washington Park Library at 816-232-2052.





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Library Closings:

New Year's Day
January 1 & 2

Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 17

LIBRARY LOCATIONS

Carnegie Library | 816-238-0526

316 Massachusetts St.

Hours:

Mon. - Fri. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sat. 1 - 5 p.m.

Downtown Library | 816-232-7729

927 Felix St.

Hours:

Mon. - Thur. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sun. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

East Hills Library | 816-236-2136

502 N. Woodbine Road

Hours:

Mon. - Thur. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sun. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Washington Park Library | 816-232-2052

1821 N. 3rd St.

Hours:

Mon., Wed., Fri. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Tues. & Thur. 12 - 8 p.m.
Sat. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

For full program descriptions or to register,
please visit the library's event calendar at
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Several programs in this newsletter require
registration and use of the Zoom platform.

For programs that do not require registration,
check the library's Facebook page and YouTube
channel.



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