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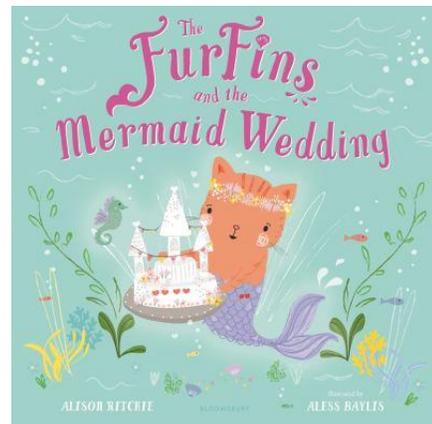
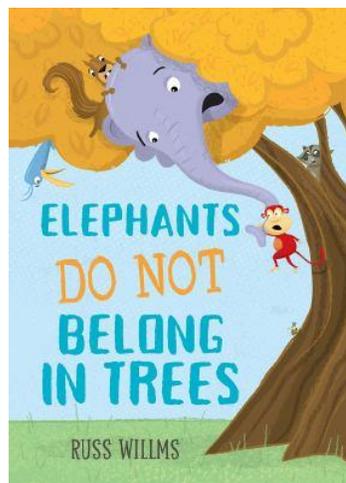
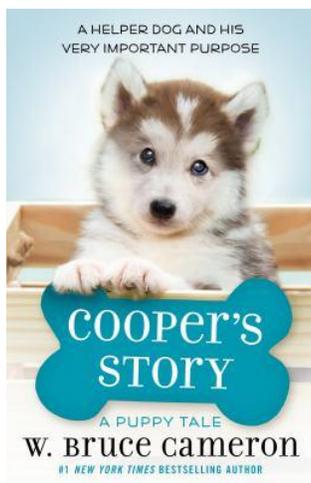


## Summer Reading Challenge continues through August 8

The Summer Reading Challenge continues. Remember to log your books or minutes by August 8 in the Beanstack app or access Beanstack via the [reading challenge](#) page on our website. When you've finished the challenge, remember to come into your local library for a swag bag. Also use the tickets you earned in Beanstalk to put towards winning a Grand Prize!

## New Books for Summer Reading

Summer Reading Challenge also brings lots of new books related to the challenge's theme. This year's challenge for adults includes reading at least one of these books.



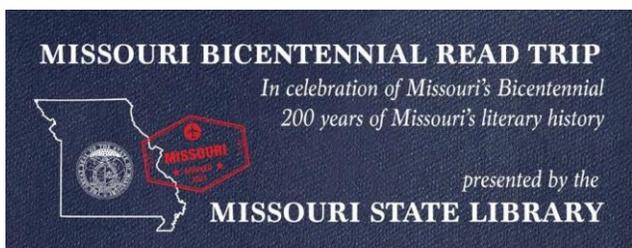
These books were purchased through a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provision of the Library and Technology Act as administered by the Missouri State Library, a division of the Office of the Secretary of State.

If you register for the Missouri Bicentennial Train Excursion on July 3, we look forward to hitting the rails with you!



Want to get out and about this summer? How about celebrating Missouri’s Bicentennial by exploring the area’s rich history? Would you like to win the Family Fun Pack including a \$50 Marcus Theatre Gift Card? Then our Paw Pass is for you!

Here is how it works. Pick up a Paw Pass at your local Riverside Library branch. Visit four of the historic sites and museums listed on the pass. (You can also add a couple of your own!) Mark your visits. Then return the pass to your library branch by July 31 and you will be entered for a chance to win the Family Fun Pack! Winner will be announced August 9.



Sign up for the Bicentennial reading challenge. Register through Beanstack. Read books by Missouri authors or set in Missouri. Challenge ends August 15.

## Branch Mascots Out and About

Like many of you, we want to get out into the community this summer. So we’re having fun with our “Tails and Tales” Summer Reading theme. Each branch has chosen a mascot and is taking it out into the community. Watch our Facebook page every Sunday to see if you can guess where our mascots have been visiting. Here is where our mascots visited in June.



Clifford (Jackson) visited the fountain by the Cape County Courthouse.



Horton (Benton) visited St. Denis Church.



Lilly the Lamb (Scott City) stopped in at Coffee and More.



Periwinkle the Pony (Perryville) hung out at a ballfield in the City Park.

## Summer Programs

### Thanks for patience and flexibility!

Summer Reading is always fun and busy but this year has been especially challenging. When planning this summer's programs, we really didn't know where we would be in our Phased opening plan or where the community would be with reopening and vaccinations. So the decision was initially made to do programming in-person but outside. Various factors including a clearer view of the COVID situation, rain the first week and heat the second week, led staff to reevaluate our locations, and the decision was made to try to move indoors if we could find a location with the space to accommodate social distancing. In June it seemed like some location changed each week and we tried to communicate these changes through our Facebook page and online calendar. We greatly appreciate everyone's understanding and flexibility as we try to give you the best possible experience under the circumstances. While we think locations are set for July, if we do have to make changes, they will be on our online calendar and our Facebook page. In the end, we're just so happy to see all of you in-person!!!

#### Missouri Conservation Department

##### Tuesday July 6

Jackson Civic Center at 9:15 am  
Perry Park Center gym at 11:30 am  
Concordia/UCLS School gym, Frohna at 3 pm

##### Wednesday, July 7

Oran City Park at 10 am  
Kelso C-7 School gym, Benton at 1 pm  
St. Joseph School gym, Scott City at 3 pm

#### The Circus Man (Jason D'Vaude)

##### Tuesday July 13

Jackson Civic Center at 9:15 am  
Perryville City Park Pavilion #10 at 11:30 am  
Concordia/UCLS School gym, Frohna at 3 pm

##### Wednesday, June 9

Oran City Park at 10 am  
Kelso C-7 School gym, Benton at 1 pm  
St. Joseph School gym, Scott City at 3 pm

#### Mo Extension Animal Exercise

##### Tuesday July 20

Jackson Civic Center at 9:15 am  
Perry Park Center gym at 11:30 am  
Concordia/UCLS School gym, Frohna at 3 pm

##### Wednesday, July 21

Oran City Park at 10 am  
Kelso C-7 School gym, Benton at 1 pm  
St. Joseph School gym, Scott City at 3 pm

#### Join Ms. A for storytime and Take-n-Make activity kits

- Monday, July 12 and 19 at 10:30 am, Scott City branch

- Thursdays at 10:30 am, Jackson Civic Center

- Fridays at 10:30 am, Perryville branch



## Ice Cream Days



Wrap up summer reading with story time and ice cream! Come to your local branch the week of July 26 to enjoy Mrs. A's story time and pick up a take-n-make activity kit. Then help us celebrate Missouri's Bicentennial by enjoy an ice cream cone on us. See schedule below.

Story Time – July 26 at 9:30 am, Oran branch

Story time – July 26 at 10:30 am, Benton branch

Ice Cream from Five 7 Treats – July 26, 11 am to noon, Benton branch

Story Time – July 27 at 10:30 am, Altenburg branch

Ice Cream – July 27, noon to 1 pm at Gas-A-Mat, Altenburg

Story Time – July 28 at 10:30 am, Scott City branch

Ice Cream – July 28, 1 – 2 pm at The Ice Cream Corner, Scott City

Story Time – July 29 at 10:30 am at Jackson Civic Center

Ice Cream – July 29, 1 – 2 pm at American Ice Cream

Story Time – July 30 at 10:30 am, Perryville brach

Ice Cream from Sugar Chic – July 30, 1 – 2 pm, Perryville branch

Each Riverside branch has its own displays, contests and activities. Be sure to stop by and see what's going on at your local library.

## Container Gardening Program

The Library partnered with Missouri Extension to hold two container gardening programs in June. A big "Thank You" to Donna Aufdenberg with Cape County Missouri Extension and the Master Gardeners for providing plants and containers and leading these programs.

