October 17 to 23 is Friends of the Library Week. Friends groups promote and raise awareness of library services. The Friends also support library activities especially through fundraising.

The Riverside Friends of the Library groups hold book sales, raffles and other fundraisers. Funds raised have purchased a new refrigerator for the staff break room at the Jackson Branch and a new front door for the Altenburg Branch. Friends groups have also purchased books and books on CD which have been added to the library’s collection. The Friends at Jackson also provided a wonderful meal for the staff this summer.

National Friends of Libraries Week is coordinated by United for Libraries, a division of the American Library Association with approximately 4,000 personal and group members representing hundreds of thousands of library supporters. United for Libraries supports those who govern, promote, advocate, and fundraise for libraries, and brings together library trustees, advocates, friends, and foundations into a partnership that creates a powerful force for libraries in the 21st century. For more information, visit www.ala.org/united.

The Friends of the Library @ Altenburg will hold a “Give Back Thursdays” fundraiser at the Saxony Hills Brewery, 303 Maple Street, Altenburg on Thursday, November 10 from 4 to 9 pm. 10% of all receipts from that day will go to the Friends of Library. Come join us!

The Friends of Library at Jackson will have a book sale at the Main Library on November 4 from 9 am to 6 pm and November 5 from 9 am to noon. The preview for Friends of Library members is November 3 from 4 to 7 pm.

Each Riverside library branch has its own Friends of the Library group. Check with the staff at your local branch for information on how to join.

A huge THANK YOU to the Friends of the Library.
New materials in Spanish and Braille

Riverside Regional Library has been adding Spanish language and Braille books to its collection. Libraries strive to serve all residents in our communities and these books serve diverse audiences as well as individuals learning other languages. Studies show that reading to children in Spanish help them in language skills in both Spanish and English. Spanish language books can also help those who are learning Spanish as a second language.

Braille, talking books and other materials for the visually impaired are also available through the state of Missouri’s Wolfner Library. Contact them at sos.mo.gov/wolfner or 800-392-2614.

Book Clubs

Main Branch

In-person
October 17 at 7 pm

Virtual via Zoom
October 24 at 7 pm

To join, contact Eunice at 573-243-8141 ext 123 or eschlichting@rrlmo.org

Perryville Branch

October 10 at 2 pm

October 12 at 6 pm

Oran

October 24 at 1:30 pm

Scott City

October 25 at 3 pm

Check with branch for book selection
Branch Programs

Altenburg
Take-and-make craft kits – all month
Medicare Supplemental Insurance Sign Up – October 26 from noon to 6 pm. Call 573-824-5267 for appointment.

Benton
Adult Coloring – October 5 & 19 at 9:30 am
Bingo – October 7 at 3:30 pm
Craft – October 14 at 2 pm

Oran
Homework Club – Mondays at 3 pm
Family Movie Day – Oct. 8 – 10 am
Teen Night Halloween makeup – Oct. 13 at 6 pm
Halloween Craft Hour – Oct. 20 at 4 pm
Book Group – Oct. 24 at 1:30 pm
Toddler Hour – Halloween – Oct. 27 at 2 pm
Halloween Costume Contest – Oct. 29 at 10 am
Trick or Treat at the Library – Oct. 31 – 4 to 6 pm

Perryville
Teen Activity – Thursdays at 3:30 pm
Toddler Time – October 6 at 10:30 am
Book Club – October 10 at 2 pm
Book Club – October 12 at 6 pm
Toddler Time – October 20 at 10:30 am

Scott City
Contests, drawing, Halloween writing contest – check with branch for details
Coffee & Conversation – October 4 & 18 at 1 pm
Crochet Group – October 4 & 18 at 2 pm
Chess – October 4 & 18 at 3 pm
Spanish Class – October 11 & 25 at 2 pm
Book Club – October 25 at 3 pm
Haunted Bingo! – October 28 at 4 pm

Branch Programs

Jackson
Story time and craft – Oct. 14 at 10:30 am
Halloween story time and trick or treat – Oct. 28 at 10:30 am

Learn a Language at the Library
Planning a trip to another country? Have or want a job where knowing a second language would be an advantage over other job seekers? Riverside Regional Library is here to help. The Library subscribes to Rosetta Stone, one of the most popular language learning online programs.

With Rosetta Stone, you can select from 30 different languages. The program helps tap into our brain’s ability to learn languages and quickly helps you learn and be comfortable with speaking in real life situations.

To access Rosetta Stone, go to the library’s eResources page and select the “Learn a Language” tab. [https://riversideregionallibrary.org/learn-a-language/](https://riversideregionallibrary.org/learn-a-language/). Go to the Rosetta Stone Website. You will need to set up an account with an email address and password to get started.

You can get more practice at the Spanish language class at the Scott City branch on Tuesday, October 11 and 25.
Missouri Building Block Picture Book Awards

Each year preschool children across the state of Missouri are given the opportunity to vote for their favorite picture book from the Missouri Building Block nominees. Parents and caregivers, teachers and librarians are encouraged to read the books to children up to 6 years old. The children can then vote for their favorite picture book. Voting has started and will end on December 31, 2022. Check out a picture book and get a ballot at your local Riverside Library.

The Missouri Building Block Picture Book Awards is sponsored by the Missouri Library Association and recognizes both the author and illustrator of the winning book.