READING HEROES

MONDAYS | 2:00-3:30 p.m. Every Half Hour | Osage Branch Classroom

Reading Heroes is a program providing one-on-one reading enrichment sessions for kids who've completed grades K-2. These sessions are led by a retired reading teacher and are available in half-hour increments from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. with the last session beginning at 5:00 p.m. Registration is required. Please call the Osage Branch at 373-697-2951 to enroll your child and feel free to email jettm@mltn.org for more information or questions about this program.

FRONT PORCH BOOK CLUB

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17 | 6:30-8:30 p.m. | Osage Branch Woodland Art Gallery

Read this month’s book choice, then join us in the library’s art gallery for book talk, snacks and good times. This month’s title is “The Huntress” by Mary Kay. Free copies of the book are available for the first ten participants at the library. Please sign up by emailing jettm@mltn.org, or feel free to call us or stop by the front desk.

MRLL FOUNDATION MINI GOLF

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19 | 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Looking for a fun family activity this winter? Join us for a 9-hole miniature golf course inside the library! Cost to play is $5 per person or $15 per family (2 adults + up to 3 children). All proceeds go to the MRLL Foundation. A special thanks to Smallwood Technology Solutions for being the event sponsor!

SENSORY PLAY DAY (AGES 3 AND UNDER)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22 | 10:00-11:00 a.m. | Osage Branch Woodland Art Gallery

Drop in and enjoy an open learning end play time featuring a variety of sensory and activity stations.

RECEPTION FOR JOHN A. LOCKER

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5 | 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. | Osage Branch Woodland Art Gallery

Join us in the Woodland Art Gallery to enjoy the talented photography of John A. “Jay” Locker of Freeburg and enjoy light refreshments at his reception as you visit with this gifted photographer. John Locker was born and raised in Detroit, Jan 10, 1954, to Missouri born parents. He always told people he would drive a truck and make photos. He did just that! John played around with photography starting at 12 with his Dad and big brother Dan. He brought his first camera in high school and started making yearbook photos as a junior. When he graduated from high school, John took a job as a machinist for a year, then went to work for a food wholesaler, and eventually started his own building business. A camera was with him most of the time. When fuel went to 75 cents per gallon, John said his truck and moved to Missouri in July of 1997 and worked for Quaker Windows driving a truck. He still carries the camera with him. John married in August of 1997 and continued to make photos and drive until the kids get older. In 2000, he stopped driving and stayed inside as a foreman of a new vinyl department at Quaker Windows. He continued making photos for various customers as well as Quaker. John retired from Quaker as per his personal plans, at 62 years, and continues to make photographs with his business Locker Photography.

FOCL BOOK SALE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19 | 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. | FOCL bookstore located in the Library

Come and check out the Friends of the Osage County Library’s book sale area and find deals on books, puzzles, DVDs and more! Call the Osage County branch at 573-697-2951 for more information.

CONSIDER BECOMING A MEMBER OF OUR OSAGE COUNTY LIBRARY SUPPORT GROUP: FRIENDS OF THE OSAGE COUNTY LIBRARY (FOCL). Membership perks include invitations to future “Members Only” events. Pick up a membership form today!