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Come check out the unique handmade gifts and delicious baked goods, all while supporting a great cause at the same time! Proceeds benefit the local United Way.

Happy Holidays

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Winter Reading Program
Read and earn prizes this holiday season!

December 15TH - January 19TH

LET’S GO BARBIE
Whether you’re everything or whether you’re just Kenough, you should make sure you join us for our "Let's go, Barbie!" night. Dress up in your best Barbie pink, watch the movie, and create your own Weird Barbie! Reservations required. (6th-12th Grade)

FAMILY EVENT: CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT CRAFTS
Family event. No reservations needed. An hour of Christmas ornament creation in a variety of styles.

TEEN AFTER-HOURS
Party in the Library! Free pizza, soda and gaming after the library closes. Doors will be locked after 6pm, so please arrive on time if you wish to attend.

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KIDS STEAM NIGHT: MARSHMALLOWS SNOWMAN BUILDING CHALLENGE
For ages 7-12. Registration is required and limited to 15 participants. Using a pack of toothpicks and marshmallows, create the tallest possible standing snowman. The challenge is on!
**RHYME TIME**
**FRIDAYS, DECEMBER 1 & 15** | 9:30-10:00 a.m., 10:15-10:45 a.m., & 11:00-11:30 a.m.
A special time for babies and their caregivers featuring music, movement and socialization. For children 2 and under, and their caregivers. No reservations needed. Choose from three sessions.

**POKÉMON CARD PLAYING DAY**
**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2** | 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. | Truman Room
No reservations needed. Bring your Pokémon cards to the library and challenge someone to a friendly duel. This is not a tournament. All skill levels are welcome. For those new to the game, someone will be available to demonstrate how to play.

**LEGO BLOCK PARTY**
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 4** | 6:00-7:00 p.m. | Truman Room
Free-building LEGO fun at the library with standard bricks, mini-figures, and specialty pieces. Ages 5-12. No reservations needed.

**PRESCHOOL STORYTIME**
**TUESDAYS** | 10:30-11:00 a.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
Ages 3-5. No reservations needed. Stories and music for preschoolers.

**FAMILY STORY TIME**
**WEDNESDAYS** | 10:30-11:30 a.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
All ages. Stories, music, crafts, and activities.

**TAIL WAGGIN’ TUTORS**
**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6** | 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. | 2nd Floor Children’s Area
**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20** | 3:30-4:30 p.m. | 2nd Floor Children’s Area
Bring your favorite book to read to a trained therapy dog (TDI-Therapy Dogs International). Raina will be in the Children’s department from 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. on December 6th, and 3:30-4:30 p.m. on December 20th. She can’t wait to hear your story!

**SENSORY PLAY DAY**
**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8** | 10:15-11:00 a.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
Drop in and enjoy an open learning and play time featuring a variety of sensory and activity stations. For ages 3 and under.

**FAMILY EVENT: CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT CRAFTS**
**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9** | 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
Family event. No reservations needed. An hour of Christmas ornament creation in a variety of styles.

**FAMILY BOOK BINGO**
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 11** | 6:00-7:00 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
All ages. No reservations needed. An hour of bingo fun for the family. Winning cards earn book prizes for ages 12 and under.

**EVENING FAMILY STORY TIME**
**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13** | 6:00-6:30 p.m. | Truman Room
No reservations needed. Stories and songs for families.

**BOOKMOBILE COMMUNITY STOP IN WARDSVILLE**
**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14** | 4:00-6:00 p.m. | Wardsville, Blair Oaks Elementary School
The library’s Bookmobile will be parked outside Blair Oaks Elementary School on the second Thursday of each month, from 4-6 p.m. Visit us for a variety of books, CDs and DVDs.

**KIDS AFTER SCHOOL: WALKING PAPER HORSE RACES**
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 18** | 4:00-5:00 p.m. | Truman Room
For grades 1-5. No reservations needed. Create simple paper horses that walk down a slope on their own. Adjust them for maximum speed, and let the races begin!

**BOOKWORMS: YOUR CHOICE!**
**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21**
5:30-6:00 p.m. | Truman Room
Bookworms is our themed book discussion group for 3rd-5th grade students. This month’s theme is “Winter Reads,” so please pick a chapter book or graphic novel that you think fits this theme and be ready to share it with your fellow bookworms!

Registration is required.

**KIDS CAR CRAFT AND DRIVE-IN CHRISTMAS MOVIE DAY**
**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22** | 2:00-4:00 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
Ages 3-7. Reservations required and limited to 25. Each child will be able to decorate their own cardboard box car, and then park it for a drive-in Christmas movie experience! Short animated Christmas features will be shown, and light snacks will be served.

**BOOKMOBILE**
**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27** | 12:00-1:30 p.m. | Capital Mall
The Missouri River Regional Library Bookmobile makes school & community stops throughout Cole and Osage counties. We offer a full range of children’s & adult titles, including fiction & non-fiction, paperbacks, CDs, & DVDs. In addition, any title from our regular collection can be requested through the bookmobile & picked up at the appropriate stop. We will be located at the lot between JCPenney and Hy-Vee.

**FAMILY CRAFT: NEW YEAR’S HATS AND BLOWERS**
**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28** | 1:00-2:00 p.m. | Truman Room
All ages family event. No reservations needed. A tradition continues! Get ready to ring in the new year by creating your own unique party hat and blower.
PIZZA & PAGES: LITTLE THIEVES BY MARGARET OWEN
MONDAY, DECEMBER 4 | 6:45-7:45 p.m. | Truman Room
Pizza & Pages is our 9th-12th grade book group. A free copy of the book is provided for the first 8 participants. Pizza and soda are served at every meeting. Reservations required.

The book we’ll be discussing in December is *Little Thieves* by Margaret Owen.

LET’S GO, BARBIE!
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NOVEL IDEAS: THE OGRESS AND THE ORPHANS BY KELLY BARNHILL
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12 | 6:45-7:45 p.m. | Truman Room
Novel Ideas is our 6th-8th grade book group. A free copy of the book is provided for the first 8 participants. Light refreshments are served at every meeting.

This month we’ll be discussing *The Ogress and the Orphans* by Kelly Barnhill. Reservations required.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS | AGES 12+
THURSDAYS, DECEMBER 14 & 28 | 6:00-9:00 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery & Truman Room
Are you an adventurer at heart? Play Dungeons & Dragons with us! The excitement is real and the escapades are never-ending! You might stomp your way through an army of orcs, or go on a noble quest to rescue a whole town. You decide!

Whether you are a long-time adventurer or brand new to the game, you are welcome to join us.

TEEN AFTER HOURS
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16 | 6:00-8:30 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
Party in the Library! Free pizza, soda and gaming after the library closes. Doors will be locked after 6pm, so please arrive on time if you wish to attend.

Registration required.

MAKE IT @ MRRL: DIY SNOW GLOBE TUMBLERS
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19 | 6:00-7:30 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery
Need a last-minute holiday gift for someone? Or just want to make something fun and glitzy for yourself? Come make your own custom snow globe-style tumbler with us. We’ll even have a hot cocoa/tea bar set up to make things extra cozy! Reservations required.

GET CARDED.

WINTER READING PROGRAMS
FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS
December 15th–January 19th

Missouri River Regional Library’s winter reading programs are here! Log reading time and earn prizes for completion. Children and teens may register and start their reading on Friday, December 15th at both the Cole and Osage branches. The last day to log reading time is Friday, January 19th.

Online registration will be available starting Friday, December 15th at: mrrl.readsquared.com
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