December 2020

SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT
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1 | Virtual Preschool Story Time | 10:30-11:00 AM
2 | Virtual Family Story Time | 10:30-11:00 AM | Virtual S.A.G.A. | 4:30-5:30 PM
3 | You Should Know: Picture Book Biography | 10:30-11:00 AM | Among Us | 7:00-8:00 PM
4 | Storybook Loop All Day | Virtual Rhyme Time | 10:30-11:00 AM
5 | Storybook Loop All Day | Virtual Knitting and Crocheting at the Library | 1:00-2:00 PM
6 | Storybook Loop All Day | Technology Instruction | 9:00 AM-12:00 PM
7 | Storybook Loop All Day | Virtual Bedtime Stories | 7:00-7:30 PM
8 | Storybook Loop All Day | Virtual Family Story Time | 10:30-11:00 AM | Virtual Novel Ideas | 7:00-8:00 PM
9 | Storybook Loop All Day | Virtual Family Story Time | 10:30-11:00 AM | Virtual S.A.G.A. | 4:30-5:30 PM
10 | Storybook Loop All Day | People You Should Know: Picture Book Biography | 10:30-11:00 AM | Virtual Dungeons & Dragons | 6:00-8:00 PM
11 | Storybook Loop All Day | How to Sensory Play | 10:30-11:00 AM
12 | Storybook Loop All Day | Taking Care of You | 6:30-7:45 PM
13 | Technology Instruction | 9:00 AM-12:00 PM
14 | Technology Instruction | 9:00 AM-12:00 PM
15 | Virtual DIY Homesteading | 6:30-7:30 PM
16 | Virtual Family Story Time | 7:00-8:30 PM
17 | Virtual Family Story Time | 10:30-11:00 AM
18 | Virtual Family Story Time | 10:30-11:00 AM
19 | Virtual Family Story Time | 10:30-11:00 AM
20 | Virtual Family Story Time | 10:30-11:00 AM
21 | Virtual Family Story Time | 10:30-11:00 AM
22 | Virtual Family Story Time | 10:30-11:00 AM
23 | Holiday Scavenger Hunt | All Day
24 | Holiday Scavenger Hunt | All Day
25 | Holiday Scavenger Hunt | All Day
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**OSAGE EVENTS**

**TECHNOLOGY INSTRUCTION (VIRTUAL)**

**EVERY MONDAY** | 9:00, 10:00, & 11:00 a.m.

Are you interested in learning how to better navigate the internet, become comfortable with computers or learn how to use a software program? Technology instruction is available through the library with an information technology specialist. Reservations are required and time slots are limited to 45 minute sessions. Out of a commitment to safety in our community, these sessions will be available either virtually, or through socially distanced instruction. Please email gudermuth@mlrl.org or call to make an appointment.

**COLORING CONTEST**

**DEC 1st-16th** | All Day

To enter, please stop by the library to pick up a sheet or email parker@mlrl.org to receive a digital copy. Four age categories are available for prizes: ages 2-4, 5-7, 8-11, and ages 12+.

Submissions are due by December 16th and can be dropped off at the library during regular library hours, or scanned and emailed to parker@mlrl.org. Entries will be on display in the children’s area of the Osage County Library. Winners will be notified on December 18th.

**TAKE + MAKE SEASONAL CRAFTS**

**ALL MONTH LONG** | All Day

A variety of seasonal crafts for a variety of different ages will be available at the check out desk with instructions. We hope these will help make your holidays a little more festive, creative and bright.

**STORYBOOK LOOP**

**DEC 4th-12th & 14th-30th** | All Day

Library Outdoor Area

We’re creating a special seasonal storybook loop around the outdoor area of the Osage Country Library. Any time the library is open, feel free to take a short spin around the yard while reading a festive tale displayed amid holiday decorations. A new story will be displayed on December 14th, 16th, and 23rd.

**HOLIDAY SCAVENGER HUNT**

**DEC 14th-23rd** | All Day

Stop in any time the library’s open from December 14th-23rd for festive scavenger hunt throughout the library. All ages are welcome and no reservations are needed.

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**DID YOU MISS A VIRTUAL PROGRAM?**

No worries, you can access the archived virtual programs on our website.

Adults programs:
https://www.mlrl.org/virtual-programs-adults

Teen programs:
https://www.mlrl.org/teen-virtual-program-archive

Kids programs:
https://www.mlrl.org/kids-virtual-program-archive

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**BAKE YOUR WAY THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS WITH FR. DOMINIC GARRAMONE, THE BREAD MONK!**

Tuesday, December 15 | 7:00-8:30 p.m.

This special event with Father Dominic is a fun and festive baking experience. He will teach you how to make bread and there will be a chance to enjoy what you’ve made. All ages are welcome and no reservations are needed. **BECAUSE THE LIBRARY CHANGES LIVES**

**VIRTUAL SERVICES**

**$10,000 GOAL**

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children

VIRTUAL PRESCHOOL STORY TIME
EVERY TUESDAY | 10:30-11:00 a.m. | Facebook
We may not be able to meet in the same room, but that doesn’t mean we can’t enjoy stories together! Watch a new story time each week. Join in the fun on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/groups/mrrikids.

VIRTUAL FAMILY STORY TIME
EVERY WEDNESDAY | 10:30-11:00 a.m. | Facebook
A new prerecorded online family story time will be posted each Wednesday. As an added bonus, combine story time with one of the preschool craft kits that will be available to pick up at the Children’s circulation desk starting each Wednesday morning. These kits will be offered the rest of the week as supplies last, and will be based on the weekly theme we choose for story time. Join in the fun on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/groups/mrrikids.

PEOPLE YOU SHOULD KNOW:
PICTURE BOOK BIOGRAPHY
EVERY THURSDAY | 10:30-11:45 a.m. | Facebook
Join us for a new story reading series where we highlight picture book biographies on interesting people. Visit our Facebook group each Thursday to watch the reading of a new featured biography. Join in on the fun on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/groups/mrrikids.

VIRTUAL BEDTIME STORIES
EVERY MONDAY | 7:00-7:30 p.m. | Facebook
Virtual bedtime stories for young ones. Visit our Facebook page to hear new stories read each week! This program is prerecorded, so feel free to watch the video at any time. Join in on the fun on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/groups/mrrikids.

VIRTUAL RHIME TIME
FRIDAYS, DEC 4 & 18 | 10:30-11:00 a.m. | Facebook
A special time for babies and their caregivers. We may not be able to meet in the same room, but that doesn’t mean we can’t enjoy stories, music and movement together! A new Rhyme Time is posted on the first and third week of the month. Join in the fun on Facebook. This program is prerecorded, so feel free to watch the video at any time. Join in on the fun on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/groups/mrrikids.

HOLD TO SENSORY PLAY: TOUCH TIME (VIRTUAL)
FRIDAY, DEC 11 | 10:30-11:00 a.m. | Facebook
For ages 3 and up. Registration required. A how-to-guide for combining everyday items to create touch sensory play activities. Ms. Donna will share several ideas in a special video presentation, available starting Friday, November 13. Find the video on our MRLR Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/groups/mrrikids.

teens & adults

VIRTUAL PIZZA & PAGES:
Reader’s Choice!
MONDAY, DEC 7 | 7:00-8:00 p.m. | Zoom
Pizza & Pages is our 9-12th grade book group. We will be meeting virtually for our foreseeable future. December is Reader’s Choice month! Everyone will read something different and tell the group about it. You would like help picking out a title, email Courtney at waterrrc@mrlr.org.
Registration required at https://www.mrlr.org/events/month.

VIRTUAL NOVEL IDEAS:
Reader’s Choice!
TUESDAY, DEC 8 | 7:00-8:00 p.m. | Zoom
New Novel Ideas is our 6-8th grade book group. We will be meeting virtually for our foreseeable future. December is Reader’s Choice month! Everyone will be reading something different and then telling the group about it. If you need help picking something to read, email Courtney at waterrrc@mrlr.org.
Registration required at https://www.mrlr.org/events/month.

VIRTUAL DIY HOMESTEADING
MONDAY, DEC 14 | 6:30-7:30 p.m. | Virtual Program
Have you ever been interested in homesteading? Do you want to reduce the amount of chemicals in your home and food? Are you trying to go plastic-free? Join us each month for a hands-on class where we will learn how to DIY various items for your home. This month, we’re making shortbread cookies! Please email Megan at mehernm@mrlr.org for more information.

adults

LU-MRLR LECTURE SERIES: UNDERSTANDING ADDICTION
TUESDAY, DEC 8 | 7:00-8:30 p.m. | Virtual Program
No one wakes up in the morning and decides to become addicted to something. So how does it happen? Dr. James M. Smith, a licensed professional counselor, will walk through the stages of addiction, describing changes in the brain and in behaviors that contribute to addiction. He will also discuss what friends and family can do in response to a loved one who has an addiction. A link will be provided the day of the event.

TAKING CARE OF YOU
THURSDAY, DEC 10 | 6:30-7:45 p.m. | Virtual Program
This program will provide practical strategies to better deal with stress and life’s challenges. Topics will include: taking care of all aspects of your health—mind, body and spirit; becoming more aware of the mind-body connection, responding with thought versus reacting automatically to life’s stressors, finding ways to become a happier person, simplifying your life, and learning to live more i the moment. Lynda Zimmerman, a nutrition and health specialist with the University of Missouri Extension, will present the program. A link will be provided the day of the event.

Bake Your Way Throgh the Holidays
TUESDAY, DEC 15 | 7:00-8:30 p.m. | Zoom
‘Tis the season to be baking! Benedictine monk and PBS TV host Father Dominic Garramone will present a live Zoom program with recipes for three holidays, including Hanukkah Jelly Donuts, Fruitled Sweet Potato Bread for Kwanzaa, and a braided sweet bread center piece for your Christmas buffet that doubles as dessert! He’ll share all three recipes and answer your baking questions, too. He was the host of the PBS cooking show “Breaking Bread with Father Dominic” from 1999 to 2001 and has written 10 cookbooks. His children’s book, Brother Jerome and the Angels in the Bakery, was the recipient of the 2011 Christopher Award for Children’s Books (ages 8 to 10) and the 2011 Catholic Press Association 1st Place Award for children’s books.

DOOMS
MONDAY, DEC 21 | 10:00-11:00 a.m. | Email
Join us for a new weekly advent series, Learn how to read and understand the Bible. Each month, members read a book related to the theme of the month. This month, we’re reading books about travel! Discussion and recommendations abound! Ages 18 and up. Note: this event requires a password to attend. Password: 9VUmp

VIRTUAL LOOOSLY ROUND BOOK CLUB
MONDAY, DEC 21 | 6:00-7:30 p.m. | Virtual Program
Looking for your next great read? Join us at our newest book club! Each month, members read a book related to the theme of the month. This month, we’re reading books about travel! Discussion and recommendations abound! Ages 18 and up. Note: this event requires a password to attend. Password: 9VUmp

VIRTUAL DUNGEONS & DRAGONS | AGES 12+
THURSDAY, DEC 10 | 6:00-8:30 p.m. | Facebook
Are you an adventurer at heart? Play Dungeons & Dragons with us online! You might stomp your way through an army of orcs, or go on a noble quest to rescue a whole town. You decide! (This program will be virtual for the foreseeable future.)