

We're So Digging This Summer

The summer has started and so has our summer programs. We're all about dinosaurs this summer but you can also unearth family and community stories through genealogy, archaeology and so much more.

Learn to research your family at the Oran branch, make cave art at the Perryville branch, and of course learn about dinosaurs at all of our branches. See page 3 for info on some of the featured performers.

Our branches have lots of activities planned including scavenger hunts, drawings and take-n-make crafts. All Riverside programs are free and open to everyone in the community – you don't have to have a Riverside library card to attend a program, so bring a friend or neighbor along and let them see all that the library has to offer.

Reading and books are the story behind summer reading programs. Have you noticed all the new cool dinosaur books on the shelf? Many are purchase through the summer reading grant from the State of Missouri. So check them out!!!

Register now for the summer reading challenge on the Beanstack app or on Riverside's website. You can also sign up in person and start reading beginning June 1.

For program details, visit
www.riversideregionallibrary.org/calendar
or follow us on Facebook



Log your reading for the chance to win prizes all summer long!

The summer reading challenge goal is for each participant to read 8 hours by July 31. But we're challenging you to read and log more hours to help us reach our goal of 400,000 total hours for all Riverside reading challenge participants!!

Receive prizes as you read and log hours.

- 4 hours for a summer reading tote bag.
- 8 hours for a prize book.
- 8+ hours to win a prize.

Riverside's summer library program is supported by 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 Secretary of State. **Also a huge thank you to our local sponsors. (see page 4)**

Notes From the Director

Riverside Regional Library's 2026 Summer Reading program Unearth a Story starts June 1. Registration is open to all ages - the whole family can sign up for an opportunity to win prizes plus there are lots of programs to entertain and inspire everyone. Invite your friends and join us at the Library!

We are excited to celebrate our nation's 250th anniversary. To help you celebrate check out these great resources:

- Teaching Books: search "America250" and receive recommendations for students at all grade levels.
- HeritageQuest: discover your family history from the comfort of your home.
- Mango Languages: connect with your family history by learning the language of your ancestors.

PBS Book Recommendations:

- *1776* by David McCullough
- *Founding Mothers: the Women Who Raised Our Nation* by Cookie Roberts
- *The First Conspiracy: the Secret Plot to Kill George Washington* by Brad Meltzer
- *Benjamin Franklin: an American Life* by Walter Isaacson

We will see you at YOUR library!
Frankie Lea



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Gardening for Kids

Eating from the Garden is a six to twelve-week nutrition and gardening program for third to fifth-grade kids. Gardening allows students to become part of an outdoor classroom, develop life skills and improve their health. Kids will plant and harvest produce, sample fruits and vegetables, and participate in interactive nutrition and food safety activities.



TOPICS

- Nutrition
- Importance of eating fruits and vegetables
- Food safety
- Hands-on basic gardening skills
- Plant science
- Environmental awareness

JOIN US IN CLASS

When: Tuesdays June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 and July 7
from 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

Where: Riverside Regional Library
1997 E. Jackson Blvd
Jackson, MO, 63755

Contact: To register call the Library at 573-243-8141
for questions about the class call Mandie
Sullivan at MU Extension: 573-243-3581



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Amity Yoga

Join us on Monday, June 29 at 10 am for a special story time for ages 4-10. Erica Cooper of Amity Yoga will lead this awesome story time yoga session! Register by calling 573-243-8141 or visiting the Main Branch, Jackson!



Mark your calendar for our dino-mite June programs!!



Unearth the Sounds of Science in this energetic STEM event, featuring a dinosaur-in-a-can and kid-created thunderstorm!

All ages

June 3

Oran Elementary 9:30 am
Kelly Elementary 12pm
Scott City RRL 3pm

June 4

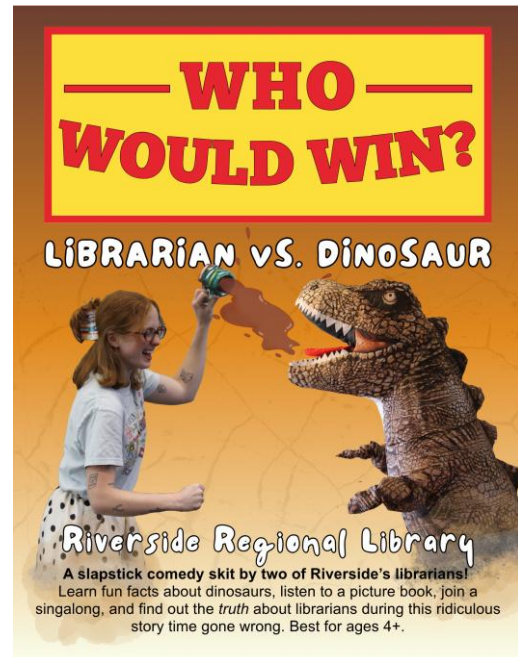
Jackson RRL 9am
Perryville RRL 12pm
Altenburg RRL 3pm



June 10 all ages June 11

Oran Elementary 9:00 am Jackson RRL 9:00 am
Kelly Elementary 12:00 pm Perryville RRL 12:00 pm
Scott City RRL 3:00 pm Altenburg RRL 3:00 pm

"Bringing the heart of the wild to a child."



June 16

9am@Jackson
12pm@Perryville
3pm@Altenburg

June 17

9am@Oran
12pm@Benton
3pm@Scott City



Do Art Workshop for ages 10-17
June 25 from 10 am to 12 pm @ Jackson
(please register)

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