Things to Know...
About The Hayner Public Library District

MAILING LIST UPDATE
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

HOLIDAYS
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
- Easter Sunday, March 27
- Memorial Day, May 29, 30

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An Exciting New Service From the Hayner Public Library District
You can now add your Hayner library card to a smartphone app for added convenience when visiting Hayner Library. Simply add your Hayner library card to the app of your choice and never forget your library card again.

Please note: Photos of library cards are not valid.
Our 2D barcode scanners are not capable of reading photo images of barcodes; they are programmed to read digitized barcodes. Therefore, a library card must be added to an app in order for it to be used digitally at our Circulation Desks.

Not sure which app to use? For your convenience, The Hayner Public Library District is listed as a registered “store” with Key Ring (an online card app). To use the Key Ring app, please follow these instructions:

1. Download the Key Ring app for your phone
2. Open the Key Ring app
3. Touch the plus sign (+) button at the top of the screen
4. Touch the Add Card icon
5. Touch the Allow Camera icon (you will need to do this to scan your Hayner library card barcode)
6. Scan the barcode on your Hayner library card
7. Compare the barcode number on the back of your card to the barcode number now listed on your screen to be sure the card scanned properly.
8. Touch Select a Store and select “The Hayner Public Library District” from the list of merchants (you can scroll or search)
9. Be sure that the Card Has Barcode option is selected (turned on)
10. Touch Next in the upper right-hand corner of the screen
11. Touch Done in the upper right-hand corner of the screen
12. (Optional) Take pictures of the front and back of your Hayner library card to store in the app. Or you can choose to skip this step by touching Skip for Now:
13. Touch Add Another Card or No More Cards to complete the process
14. (Optional) You will be asked to create a Key Ring account. If you wish to do so, touch the Create Account icon. If you wish to skip this step, touch the I’ll Risk It icon. Note: Creating an account will save your Hayner library card on the Key Ring app server. You will be able to access the card again should you accidentally delete the app, your barcode, or lose your phone. Not creating an account will still allow you to use the app; however, your information will not be stored on their server. This means you will not be able to retrieve it should something happen to the app or your phone. You will have to add the barcode again. Creating an account will require entering your email address and other information. Again, creating an account is your own personal preference. The app will work either way.
**Summer Reading 2016 “Read for the Win”**

This year’s Summer Reading Program, “Read for the Win,” will give kids an opportunity to exercise not only their bodies but also their minds. The theme will have participants reading for some fun and active prizes.

Participants can expect performers such as Animal Tales and their Animal Olympians, Fred and his Feathered Friends, Mad Science, Josh Routh with Circus Kaput, and Rachel Brady’s Creative Dance Studio. Participants will also enjoy story times, puppet shows, crafts, and prizes that reflect the theme.

Each week participants will be asked to read at least five books, magazine articles, or newspaper articles, or listen to five books on tape to earn some awesome prizes. For this year’s program, we will partner with the Alton High School Athletic Department, the St. Louis Cardinals, and the Gateway Grizzlies.

All participants who continue over the five-week program will be invited to our End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party at the Alton High School Commons. There, for all their hard work, they will enjoy a free book, reading certificate, snacks, and entertainment from the hilarious comedic team Laughing Matters.

**Food for Fido**

April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month, and in commemoration of this, Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and Hayner Downtown Library will collect pet food and supplies that will be given to the Alton Area 5 A’s Animal Shelter. This no-kill shelter is completely dependent on donations and is run by a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide care for an overwhelming number of unwanted animals. From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you may pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner materials only. Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation made for each fine.

Please help our friends at the 5 A’s—they work so hard to care for the sadly constant stream of unwanted, neglected, or abused animals brought to the shelter. The shelter is located at 4530 N. Alby Road, Godfrey, and can be reached at 466-3702. Stop by and visit this wonderful facility, perhaps find a new BFF (Best Friend Forever). And, of course, volunteers are ALWAYS welcome.

**Our Wonderful Patrons**

Mary Kay Serio is our children’s librarian at our downtown location. Her grandson, Anthony Serio, 19, attended Army basic training June 2014—October 2014. He was then deployed to the Middle East in February 2015 where he remained until November. When our patrons Sharon Maggart and Mary Olson found out that he was returning to the U.S. from his deployment this last November, they knew they had to do something for both Anthony and Mary Kay. Ms. Olson had the children who attend Mary Kay’s Story Time help make a poster, and Ms. Maggart made a beautifully decorated booklet with pictures colored by the children, pictures of Anthony, and a picture of Mary Kay and her husband, Carmen, from whom Anthony received a great deal of support. Mary Kay, Carmen, and Anthony’s mom, Jessica, took both items to Anthony’s welcome home ceremony at the base, where he was both surprised and touched.

Thanks to our wonderful patrons for thinking of our employees. And thank you to Anthony for his service to our nation!

**A New Patron!**

Dawson McCauley came in with his mom to sign up for his first ever library card. He had been begging his mom to come to the library because he wanted to meet a librarian. Don’t forget to bring in your kids for the exciting experience of their very own card!

**Armchair Traveler**

Exciting news! Due to the success of the Armchair Traveler program, it is being moved to twice a year, spring and fall, to make the presentations bigger and better. Also, remember the presentations are for the whole family, not just for mom and dad. Please check back with the Hayner Public Library District’s Summer Newsletter for all the details of the fall Armchair Traveler program!

**New Book Drop**

An external book drop has been installed outside the main entrance of the Downtown Library at 326 Belle Street, Alton. Hopefully this will relieve some of the inconveniences posed by the closure of the in-wall book drop downtown. For both the book drop downtown and at the mall library, materials deposited during library closed hours will be checked in for the previous day. Materials deposited during holidays will be checked in the last day of library closing. Please ask a library staff member if you have questions or need assistance.
**Computer Classes**

Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering. All classes are taught in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall.

**PC Basics: Introduction to Computers** *(Class Limit: 12)*

**Part 1**, April 27, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.
**Part 2**, May 4, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.

An introduction to personal computers. Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally. After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse techniques, use the keyboard features, and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars.

**Part 1**
- Interacting with the computer, keyboard, and mouse

**Part 2**
- Windows: Desktop/Taskbar/Start Menu/Open Files/Save Files/Flash Drive/Print Documents

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*If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.*

**Internet Basics** *(Class Limit: 12)**

May 11, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.

This is an introduction to Web-surfing, e-mail. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, and use a search engine to locate information.

**This class has gone from 2 parts to 1 part.**

The job portion offered in previous classes is now a separate class.

Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.

**Job Tips** *(Class Limit: 12)*

May 25, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.

This class is designed to give people searching for employment some tips to send them in the right direction. We will use various job listing websites to learn how to search for employment listings, and the basics of filling in electronic job applications. Resume and job interview tips will be included. We will NOT actually apply for jobs or create a resume.

**Microsoft Word for Beginners** *(Class Limit: 12)*

**Part 1**, June 1, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.

**Part 2**, June 8, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.

This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It totals 2 progressive sessions, which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product. You may register for both sections or register for each separately, according to your need. Topics that will be covered are listed below for each of the 2 sessions.

**Part 1**
- Getting Started • Saving Documents/Page Formatting • Spacing/Columns • Printing/Indenting/Tabs

**Part 2**
- Using Shapes/Text Boxes • Clip Art/Formatting Pictures • Templates

Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.

**Flash Drives and Saving Files** *(Class Limit: 12)*

June 15, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.

Flash Drives, USB Drives, Thumb Drives, they’re all the same thing. In this class you will learn how to use your flash drive properly, regardless of what you call it. Save, copy, and move files from your flash drive to your computer and back again. You do need to have basic computer knowledge for this class. You may bring your own flash drive to practice with after class. Flash drives will NOT be provided.

Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.

**Computer Maintenance and Security** *(Class Limit: 12)*

June 22, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.

Explore your computer’s Control Panel. Learn the ins and outs of maintaining your computer, and what you should be doing to keep your machine preforming at top speeds. Learn about virus protection, and when you should run virus scans on your computer to keep it safe. Basic computer knowledge is preferred. You do NOT need your computer or tablets for this class.

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**e-Book and e-Audio Help for 3M Cloud Library and OverDrive**

For help downloading e-books and e-audios to your e-reader from the library catalog, librarians Jean Shimunek and Miriam Lozano will conduct a class on Saturday, May 21, 2016, on the basics of downloading e-books and e-audios.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Bring your personal reading device so we can help you download e-books or e-audios to it.

This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, the number in your party, and the type of device you have.
Why going to the library is one of the best things I do for my kids and the planet

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November 18, 2014

My two kids and I head to the library every week, and it’s one of my favorite things. I love getting a huge bag of books and feeling the excitement to get home and read them and see where they take us. It’s a strong memory I have from my own childhood, and I cherish getting to repeat it with them; but the more time I spend at the library with my family, the more I realize its benefits go beyond just a bag of new books to read.

The resources libraries provide and the values they reinforce are making my kids into better human beings and helping the planet along the way.

The original sharing economy

Libraries were participating in a sharing economy long before Netflix or Airbnb. There is a major environmental advantage to sharing copies of books, DVDs and other media over all of us purchasing new copies; but more than that, it’s how libraries foster a commitment to sharing that is so beneficial and can carry over into the rest of our lives.

For my kids, learning about how our library books are just on loan to us and belong to everyone in the community was a first lesson on how to take care of things so that they last and can be used by many people. The idea of treating things as important long-lasting objects instead of disposable ones was easy to drive home when it was connected to the library books that they love checking out. It also is a great way to talk about sharing resources and how we have to think beyond ourselves.

Just as importantly, libraries are institutions dedicated to the sharing of information and ideas. Our world can never progress without access to knowledge, and libraries give the public open access to books, articles, documentaries and other resources and give us all a place to gather and share them.

Community involvement and connection

Libraries are community centers, serving everyone in their area. Just visiting the library is a way to connect yourself and your family to the community you live in, but libraries offer more than that. They host book clubs, LEGO clubs, story times, puppet shows, writing camps, family movie nights and information sessions on technologies and community issues (among so many other things). They serve us, and they also bring us together and get us involved in our community.

They curate special collections about our towns, cities, states and regions so that we can learn more about them and feel a greater sense of place.

All of those things make a community stronger, and people who feel connected to their communities are more willing and better prepared to work for what’s good for everyone. Raising my kids to be involved in the library starts them on a great path to community involvement.

Multicultural experiences

While we’ve taken some very long road trips with our kids, we haven’t been able to do any travel out of the country with them yet. While I hope to one day be able to show them more of the world, for now their exposure to other places, cultures and ways of living often comes from the library.

Books from everywhere around the world, featuring stories and characters they couldn’t meet otherwise, let them see how big and varied the world really is while also showing them how much is the same from place to place.

Understanding more about different places and cultures will make my kids better global citizens and hopefully give them compassion for all people and living things.

A lifetime of learning and imagining

At our last visit to the library, my kids picked out their usual big stack of books. The subjects ranged from how cocoa beans are made into chocolate to a duck who lost his socks. Every time they get to go and pick out books, whether they be informative or very silly, they’re learning about how the world works and strengthening their imaginations. And by encouraging them to do that now, I’m hopefully starting a lifelong habit.

It’s a habit I’m still engaged in. I learn from the library with an ever-changing stack of knitting books, cookbooks, nature field guides and more.

Even if you’re not a bookworm, libraries offer classes on crafting and computer software for adults and host science and art events for kids to provide hands-on learning, too.

If this sounds like a very strong ode to libraries, it is. I’m a better and more-informed person because I visit libraries, and I’m making my kids into better people, too. Knowing how to share, take care of things and protect resources, have a strong sense of community, understanding the world we live in and having a lifetime commitment to learning and dreaming—these are ideas I’m responsible for encouraging in my children, and libraries help me to do that. And those same ideas are pretty great for the planet too.

Social Media Classes

Please note: These programs will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. All classes are free of charge but require registration due to the limited number of seats. Register at 1-800-613-3163

Social Media Basics (Class limit: 15)
Saturday, April 23, 10:00 a.m.–12 noon
We’ll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do. We’ll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. We will try to set up an account on at least one site, and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site, as well as one on how to interact with other users. This class is presentation only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.

Facebook Revealed (Class limit: 15)
Saturday, May 14, 10:00 a.m.–12 noon
This class will start with the creating of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the different applications, and finding a group to fit you. We’ll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings. This class is presentation only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.

Exploring Pinterest and Twitter
(Class limit: 15)
Saturday, June 18, 10:00 a.m.–12 noon
Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending Tweets and Pinning to a Board, uploading a Pin, and the art of “Following” people. This class is presentation only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.
**APRIL 2016**

Monday, April 4, 2016 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 4, 2016 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 5, 2016 – Mary Kay’s Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, April 7, 2016 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Friday, April 8, 2016 – Staff Development Day – Library Closed
Monday, April 11, 2016 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 11, 2016 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 12, 2016 – Mary Kay’s Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, April 14, 2016 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Thursday, April 14, 2016 – Legos @ Your Library – 3:30 p.m.
Monday, April 18, 2016 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 18, 2016 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 19, 2016 – Mary Kay’s Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Tuesday, April 19, 2016 – After-School Fun (Downtown) – 3:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 21, 2016 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 25, 2016 – Spanish Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 25, 2016 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26, 2016 – Mary Kay’s Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, April 28, 2016 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.

**MAY 2016**

Monday, May 2, 2016 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 2, 2016 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 3, 2016 – Mary Kay’s Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, May 5, 2016 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 9, 2016 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 9, 2016 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 10, 2016 – Mary Kay’s Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, May 12, 2016 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Thursday, May 12, 2016 – Legos @ Your Library – 3:30 p.m.
Monday, May 16, 2016 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 16, 2016 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 17, 2016 – Mary Kay’s Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Tuesday, May 17, 2016 – After-School Fun (Downtown) – 3:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 19, 2016 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 23, 2016 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 23, 2016 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 24, 2016 – Mary Kay’s Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, May 26, 2016 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 30, 2016 – Closed in Observance of Memorial Day

**SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2016 “READ FOR THE WIN”**

Summer Reading Program Kickoff Saturday, June 4, 2016 – 9 a.m.
Meet and Greet Izzy and Lizzy from the Gateway Grizzlies 10–11 a.m.
Monday, June 6, 2016 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–6
Tuesday, June 7, 2016 – Stories with an Athlete (Downtown) – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–5
Tuesday, June 7, 2016 – Game Day Fun – 2–3 p.m. – Ages 6–12
Wednesday, June 8, 2016 – Performer Fred and His Feathered Friends – 10 a.m. – All Ages
Thursday, June 9, 2016 – Drop-In Craft – 9–11 a.m. – Ages 2–12
Monday, June 13, 2016 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–6
Tuesday, June 14, 2016 – Stories with an Athlete (Downtown) – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–5
Tuesday, June 14, 2016 – Game Day Fun – 2–3 p.m. – Ages 6–12
Wednesday, June 15, 2016 – Performer Animal Tales – 10 a.m. – All Ages
Thursday, June 16, 2016 – Drop-In Craft – 9–11 a.m. – Ages 2–12
Monday, June 20, 2016 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–6
Tuesday, June 21, 2016 – Stories with an Athlete (Downtown) – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–5
Tuesday, June 21, 2016 – Game Day Fun – 2–3 p.m. – Ages 6–12
Wednesday, June 22, 2016 – Performer Mad Science – 10 a.m. – All Ages
Thursday, June 23, 2016 – Drop-In Craft – 9–11 a.m. – Ages 2–12
Monday, June 27, 2016 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–6
Tuesday, June 28, 2016 – Stories with an Athlete (Downtown) – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–5
Tuesday, June 28, 2016 – Game Day Fun – 2–3 p.m. – Ages 6–12
Wednesday, June 29, 2016 – Oh-My-Gosh Josh – 10 a.m. – All Ages
Thursday, June 30, 2016 – Drop-In Craft – 9–11 a.m. – Ages 2–12
**Monday, July 4, 2016 – Library Closed in Observance of July 4th Holiday**

Tuesday, July 5, 2016 – Stories with an Athlete (Downtown) – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–5
Tuesday, July 5, 2016 – Game Day Fun – 2–3 p.m. – Ages 6–12
Wednesday, July 6, 2016 – Rachel Brady’s Creative Dance Studio – 10 a.m. – All Ages
Thursday, July 7, 2016 – Drop-In Craft – 9–11 a.m. – Ages 2–12
Friday, July 8, 2016 – Last Day to turn in Reading Sheets

To register for any of our summer programs, please call Alton Square at 433-2881 or Downtown Kids at 462-0677, ext. 2836. Summer registration will begin on Saturday, June 4, 2016, at our Alton Square location.
Join us for our spring 2016 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they’re all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.

**NOTE:** 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J.C. Penney.

**REMINDER:** Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

**Bow-wow Pow-wow**  
*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, April 9**  
**Saturday, May 14**  
**Saturday, June 11**  
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It’s a great way to increase your child’s reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

**Branching Out**  
*Note: Branching Out classes are now two-part. They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street.*

**Ancestry.com: The Forest and the Trees**  
**April 14 & 21**

**Family Search: More Than the Census**  
**May 12 & 19**

**Heritage Quest: Revolutionary War, Freedman’s Bank, PERSI**  
**June 9 & 16**  
**10:00–11:30 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

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**Dana Robinson**  
**Tuesday, April 19, 6:30 p.m.**

From Cabot, Vermont, Americana singer-songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Dana Robinson is celebrating his twentieth year of national and international touring. With guitar, fiddle, banjo, and mandolin, his sound is a melting pot of Appalachian, British, and rural American influences, full of exciting fiddle tunes, earthy grooves, elegant melodies, and rich harmony singing.

The genius of a Dana Robinson performance lies in his ability to capture the imaginations of his audience. He can make them howl with laughter or hush with reflection as he takes them on a journey across America and conveys the mystery and wonder of the places he visits. His unique blend of original songwriting and traditional Appalachian music bring to his performances a deep understanding of America’s musical heritage. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Sweet Potatoes**  
**Tuesday, April 26, 6:30 p.m.**

The Sweet Potatoes dish up a tasty blend of country, folk, and homespun Americana, with sweet, soaring harmonies and finely crafted songwriting. Featuring their original music, unique versions of covers and traditional songs, and some down-home storytelling, their shows are full of joy and laughter, with a back-porch charm all their own. They’re based in Southern California, but their roots are in Illinois, and they always love coming home to play. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

**The Sound of Western Swing and the Music of Legendary Fiddler Wade Ray**  
**Dennis Stroughmatt and His Swingin’ Band**  
**Tuesday, May 10, 6:30 p.m.**

Western Swing is a music that continues to influence musicians across the planet, and southwestern Illinois was home to one of the most influential of Western Swing musicians, the legendary Wade Ray. Wade was a contemporary of Bob Wills, mentored Willie Nelson, worked with Ray Price, and one was well known in the St. Louis area for his KSD Radio road shows. Fiddler, vocalist, and historian Dennis Stroughmatt studied fiddling and singing styles with Wade in the 1990s and continues to perform many of the songs he learned while studying with Wade. His performance and presentation will include a mix of songs from the era of Bob Wills, Wade Ray, Ray Price, and Hank Thompson. Like his mentor Wade Ray, Dennis will make you want to swing! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Car Buying**  
**Monday, April 11, 6 p.m.**

*Note: This event will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square Library.*

Shopping for a new vehicle can seem overwhelming. When making a large purchase, you don’t want to leave anything to chance. Let a Scott Credit Union representative from their community outreach program help you avoid buyer’s remorse! This free presentation will help you with your homework, offer tips about determining your vehicle’s value, and explain financing options so you’re ready when it’s time to shop. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.
Budgeting & Saving  
**Monday, May 16, 6 p.m.**

Note: This event will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.

Creating a budget can be hard; sticking to a budget can be even harder. Do you control your money or does it control you? A Scott Credit Union representative from their community outreach program can help you determine your worth, estimate your expenses, stretch your dollar, and find ways to save to make your money grow in this free presentation. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

Sara McGibany

**Alton Main Street: Instilling a Sense of Pride in Our Past**

**Wednesday, May 18, 6:30 p.m.**

To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton. Stunning historic buildings fill downtown Alton, and one of Alton Main Street's major goals is to make sure those buildings are filled with people. Alton Main Street's mission of attracting more new businesses, instilling a sense of pride in our past, and shaping a beautiful and compelling future translates into events such as the Taste of Downtown Alton, the Mississippi Earthtones Festival, and the All-Wheels Drive-In Car Show. Sara McGibany has been the Executive Director of Alton Main Street since 2006. Besides working on various events and projects that promote and improve downtown Alton, Sara also enjoys serving on the Board of Directors for the Mustard Seed Peace Project and Senior Services Plus, as well as the Advisory Board of the Riverbender.com Community Center and the Steering Committees of the Upper Alton Association and Greater Alton United. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

Josh McVicar

**McVicar the Trickster**

**Tuesday, May 31, 6:30 p.m.**

McVicar the Trickster's award-winning magic show is outrageous and mind-blowing! His energetic and comical performance leaves audience members in stitches. Josh's mix of magic and humor will delight the whole family. From Menlo College: “By far the best magic performance any of us have seen. Unique, creative, and magical.” Register at 1-800-613-3163.

Identity Theft

**Monday, June 6, 6 p.m.**

Note: This event will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.

Someone becomes a victim of identity fraud every two seconds. In this free presentation from a Scott Credit Union representative from their community outreach program, learn the most common types of identity theft, how your identity can be stolen, ways to prevent theft, and what to do if you’re a victim. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

Blend

**A Cappella ’50s at Its Best**

**Tuesday, June 7, 6:30 p.m.**

Don’t miss this great night of entertainment. Blend is an a cappella doo-wop group that brings back the hits of the ’50s and ’60s with a twist of fun. They make very clear in their frivolous act that they love what they do! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

Switchback

**Sunday, June 19, 2:00 p.m.**

Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.

Switchback returns! Two of our favorite performers on the circuit! “A successful show for us is like an amusement ride—it’s a rush,” says Brian FitzGerald of the renowned musical duo Switchback. “Our Irish is a little more aggressive, and it’s coming at you a little harder because we are coming out of small, jaunty Irish bars. There’s a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of energy to our show.”

FitzGerald and Martin McCormack showcase a repertoire ranging from sentimental ballads to blistering honky-tonk. The duo delivers a powerful, riveting sound rivaling that of larger ensembles. They move through a variety of genres but never abandon their Celtic roots. They accompany their music with the rhythmic cadence of their dancing shoes. Don’t miss your chance to see and hear these amazing performers! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

Alton’s Architectural Gem: The Grand Theatre of the 1920s

**Saturday, June 4, 10:00 a.m.**

To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton. In the first architecture talk of our series, Meghan Bellitto covered the Hotel Stratford. Now we are taking a walk right across the street to the iconic Grand Theatre. Meghan will focus on the historical and architectural significance of Alton’s classic movie theater, which opened to spectacular fanfare in 1920. Come learn about the historical beginnings of the theater, develop an appreciation for its Art Deco design features, and see why it still holds a special place in the hearts of many Altonians. Though the last film played there in 1977, the Grand Theatre still stands as one of Alton’s architectural gems. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.
Martha Steiner has been a volunteer with Hayner Library for three years. You will find her in the summers helping Mary Kay downtown during the Summer Reading Program. She is a great help to Mary Kay. Martha also is a volunteer I can count on for special projects.

Martha and I have known each other since our early days working with Alton Children’s Theater. We had a wonderful time putting on plays for the Alton area school children. She was definitely an asset to this organization.

Martha was born in the old St. Joseph’s hospital, which is now called St. Clare’s. She was named Martha Elizabeth Chappee after her maternal grandmother, Elizabeth Schulz Wendle. She grew up in North Alton on Strong Avenue, a quiet little street that was not a through street at that time. Her house was surrounded by a pasture where Mary the Moo Cow grazed. Her father and both grandfathers built their little five-room house where she lived with her parents and her older brother and two younger sisters.

North Alton was a tight-knit community where everyone knew one another and watched over all the children in the neighborhood. The kids rode bikes and played ball in an empty lot during the warmer months and slid in the winter months. The neighborhood gang would put on plays in Martha’s garage for all the parents. Refreshments served during the play were popcorn and Kool Aid.

Each day during the week she walked out to her backyard, through a gully, and across a creek to attend St. Ambrose School. She graduated from grade school and attended Marquette High School. Her dad would drive Martha and her siblings to Marquette, but they had to find their own way home or walk home. Sometimes they stopped at the old Greer’s Restaurant for a cherry phosphate. But most of the time she walked downtown to catch a bus to St. Anthony’s Hospital, where she cleaned each day after school.

While working at the hospital she earned enough money to get her class ring. She bought it in 1967, and somewhere while cleaning the labs in the hospital she lost that hard-earned ring. In 1990 she received a note from a gentleman who had found it in 1967 and put it away for safekeeping. He promptly forgot about it until 1990. He searched her name and found out from Marquette who it belonged to. Martha now has that hard-earned ring in a safe place.

When it was time for their oldest child to start college, Martha decided it was time for her to pursue a degree in education. She was hired in Granite City after completing her student teaching. She kept going to school until she completed her Master’s degree in education. She says she was lucky enough to be able to teach for twenty-two years before retiring at the age of 62.

Martha’s favorite pastime is reading. Her all-time favorite book is To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee. She has often gifted that book to young people, hoping that they will encounter someone in their lives who can instill in them the values that Atticus instilled in Scout and Jem.

Martha was excited to read Lee’s Go Set a Watchman but was disappointed in Atticus’s character. But she was glad to be able to read it and find relevance to life in this era and reflect on the similarities and differences of growing up in the 1930s, the 1950s, and 2015.

Hayner is so lucky to have this gentle, sweet, smiling woman as a volunteer.

Thank you, Martha.
—Stephanie Munson
Flames still flicker in the fireplaces. Nineteenth-century oil paintings tell the story of Alton past. Gleaming display cases hold treasures borrowed from local collectors and from the library's own cache. Visitors often ask if the library was originally a church. They're amazed to discover that the building has always been a library.

The Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library opened 125 years ago, on May 21, 1891. Local businessman John E. Hayner funded construction of the library in honor of his late wife, Jennie. The library association hired Theodore Link, a highly respected St. Louis architect who designed St. Louis’s Union Station Railroad Depot, to design the building. Link also designed the First Presbyterian Church at the corner of Fourth and Alby and both the main building (after a fire destroyed the original buildings) and the Harriet Newell Haskell Memorial Gate at Monticello Seminary, now Lewis & Clark Community College in Godfrey.

The library's architecture is known as Old English, Gothic style, with a vaulted ceiling and dog-tooth trimmings. The building materials are red brick, with Alton and Bedford stone over windows and entrances, and a basement of Alton limestone. Inside, the wood is oak and yellow pine. Fireplaces with oak mantels and iridescent blue and green tiles grace the turret room and the back wall of the main room.

In 1906 John Hayner's grandson, John Haskell, announced he would provide funding to build an annex to the library building. The new annex was designed by U. S. Nixon and opened to the public in October of 1907. In 1970 the adult collection was moved out of this building and into the Belle Street building. The children's collection remained in the Hayner building as the Hayner Children's Library.

On May 21, 2011, the original Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library building reopened as the Genealogy & Local History Library. Therefore, in addition to May 21, 2016, being the 125th anniversary of the building's completion, it is also our five-year anniversary.

People come from all over the United States to use our collection, and our staff has corresponded with researchers in other countries as well. We are extremely lucky to have such a beautiful building dedicated fully to genealogy and local history research.

In December of this year we will have a special holiday open house, and Genealogy & Local History Manager Lacy McDonald will give a presentation on the architecture and history of the building. In the meantime, check out the #HaynerGenealogyGems hashtag on The Hayner Public Library District Facebook page. We’re posting 125 gems of the Genealogy & Local History Library throughout the year, one every few days. The gems will also be posted on the History at Hayner blog http://www.haynerlibrary.org/history-at-hayner-blog. The Genealogy & Local History audio tour, available any time the library is open, is also a great way to learn more about the library's history in Alton, the building, the Hayner and Haskell families, architect Theodore Link, and our significant artwork.

New in Our Illinois Room

1939 Telephone Directory: Grafton Telephone Co., Grafton, Illinois IR 977.3855 NIN
The Art of the Family Tree: Creative Family History Projects Using Paper, Art, Fabric & Collage IR 745.593 MAS
The Black Struggle for Public Schooling in Nineteenth-Century Illinois IR 370.89960730773 McCAUL
Burial Census: Surname Becker IR 929.2 BECKER
Burial Census: Surname Schmidt IR 929.2 SCHMIDT
Burial Census: Surname Webber IR 929.2 WEBBER
Burke’s Funeral Home Records Index 1956–1995 IR 977.3865 IND
Chicago and Downstate: Illinois as Seen by the Farm Security Administration Photographers, 1936–1943 IR 977.3 CHI
His Brother’s Blood: Speeches and Writings, 1838–64, Owen Lovejoy IR 326.8092 LOV
Historic Names and Places on the Lower Mississippi River IR 917.77 BRA
How to Archive Family Photos IR 929.1 MAY
Lost Survivor: The Novel of a Black Soldier’s Journey to Vietnam and Back IR F JON
Mound Builders of Ancient America: The Archaeology of a Myth IR 970.43 SIL
My History Is America’s History: 15 Things You Can Do to Save America’s Stories IR 929 NAT
The Ordeal of Southern Illinois University IR 378.7739 PLO
Round Trip: Bicycling Asia Minor 1891 IR B SACHTLEBEN
Sir Harold Ridley: His Fight for Sight IR B RIDLEY
“This is your life”: Life stories of Owens-Illinois employees published in The Altonian IR 977.3865 OWE
Hometown Clubs and Societies

Social media are the proof that everyone wants to be a part of something. Before Myspace, Twitter, and Facebook, we joined a church, club, or organization to stay closely connected with others who shared our interests. Clubs in Alton were extremely popular as far back as the 1800s, and it seems there was a club to fit all wants or needs. The society pages of the early newspapers were brimming with small tidbit articles reporting on who was hosting card parties, serving luncheons, and organizing dances.

We are familiar with the more popular and well established clubs such as the Fraternal Order of Eagles, The Loyal Order of Moose, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. But do you know about the not-so-familiar ones? Here is a little description of a few of the not-so-familiar clubs in Alton’s past.

The Silent Club and the Henpecked Club were social clubs in 1910. The Silent Club had a rule that they would not reveal the names of their members, even when they held dances and civic affairs in the public eye. The Henpecked Club was formed by men who had been deserted by their wives. It cost each man $3.40 to join.

Last Man’s Club was a group of World War I veterans whose motto was "Meet until only the last man is left." The last man would inherit the club’s treasury along with their first bottle of champagne that had been put inside a replica World War I bomb and used as a table decoration at their annual meetings. According to the June 26, 1989, obituary of Edward Lee of Glen Carbon, he was the last member of the local chapter.

The Hard Leather Club was active in 1926 and was composed of men who had pledged against the use of profanity. If a member broke the rule, the other members were allowed to give the offender a hard punch as punishment. The club motto was “No dues, lots of bruise.”

Las Senoras Y Senoritas Club was formed in 1970 to assist needy American and Spanish families of the Alton area. But their talents quickly stretched, and in 1972 they were making slippers for nursing home residents and donating records to children in the state hospital. In 1974 the club changed its name to the Ladies’ Mexican American Club.

Rip Van Winkle Club was a social club for married couples only. They entertained with a monthly dancing party that included a late-night dinner.

The Manless Club was a group of married women who did not allow men to attend their meetings, although the Alton Evening Telegraph newspaper reported husbands were in attendance during the club’s 40th anniversary celebration in 1945.

The Ladies was a social club organized in 1853. Despite the name, the club accepted both male and female members.

The Jolly Good Time Club was made up of fun, energetic members who regularly organized the most successful and well attended dancing parties, banquets, and masquerade balls in Upper Alton. In 1919, a newspaper article reported the club had been so successful that they were having trouble deciding on how to spend part of the large sum of money they had in their coffers.

The Onion Social Club was made up of Illinois Glass Company glass blowers who held annual banquets. After 18 years the club voted to disband in 1910 due to low membership. The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street has a display case of Illinois Glass memorabilia, including a glass paperweight from the 1901 Onion Club.

The Cho Cho San Club was a social club that enjoyed playing card games during their evening meetings in the 1920s and 1930s.

The Loyal Tennesseans Club had only one simple requirement for membership. Can you guess what that was? Members had to be from the state of Tennessee!

The Opti-Mrs. Club was organized in 1949 by the wives of the Optimist Club members. The club’s mission was to raise money for needy causes in the Alton area, and they were successful at it for many years.

Political clubs included the Alton Clay Club organized in 1844; the Tippecanoe Club, here as early as 1892; and the Citizen’s Curdie Club, established in 1899.

Besides social clubs and fraternal orders, Alton had some colorful sporting clubs with interesting names too. Maybe your parents or grandparents played on a team for one of these clubs? The Hard Boiled Eggs was a bowling club that got its name because they feasted on hard boiled eggs during their meetings. The Pietown Hustlers was an athletic club formed in 1922 by members of the Upper Alton Baptist Church. The Limburger Cheese Club was a sportsman’s club that held banquets with limburger cheese served as part of the meal. The Wigwam Club was a hunting and fishing group that also raised pigs on an island in the Illinois River. The island was six miles above Graffon and appropriately named Wigwam Island.

There was such a strong sense of pride in Alton’s sports teams in May of 1917 that for the opening day of the Three Eye Baseball League the mayor issued a proclamation asking merchants to close their stores to show support. During a grand parade that included all the city officials, a National Guard unit escorted the players from City Hall to the ballpark.

All of these clubs and their histories in Alton can be researched through the Telegraph Newspaper Archive available at all Hayner Library locations. The newspaper database has editions of The Telegraph dating back to 1836. It is fun to browse through the society section of these older newspapers and read how Alton citizens were keeping themselves socially active through the years!

—Pam Bierman
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**Bergen, Peter.** United States of Jihad: Investigating America's Homegrown Terrorists

**Better Homes and Gardens.** Better Homes and Gardens Jams and the Land of America

**Brostman, Mikita.** The Maximum Security Book Club: Reading Literature in a Men’s Prison

**Brower, Kate Andersen.** First Women: The Grace and Power of America’s First Ladies

**Brown, Bobby.** Every Little Step: My Story

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**Fuhrman, Joel.** Prevent and Reverse Heart Disease: The Eat to Live Plan to Sustained Weight Loss and Vibrant Health

**Hutton, Paul Andrew.** The Apache Wars: The Hunt for Geronimo, the Apache Kid, and the Captive Boy Who Started the Longest War in American History

**Hyman, Mark.** Eat Fat, Get Thin: Why the Fat We Eat Is the Key to Sustained Weight Loss and Vibrant Health

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**Kessler, David.** Capture: Unraveling the Mystery of Mental Suffering

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**Kondo, Marie.** Spark Joy: An Illustrated Master Class on the Art of Organizing and Tidying Up

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**Lerner, Laurence.** The Lynching: The Epic Courtroom Battle That Brought Down the Klan

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**Ludwig, David.** Always Hungry? Conquer Cravings, Retrain Your Fat Cells, and Lose Weight Permanently

**Mccrumb, Sharyn.** Prayers the Devil Answers

**Mcknight, Lauren.** The Joys and Science of the New Grandparenting

**Tuteur, Amy, M.D.** Push Back: Guilt in the Age of Natural Parenting

**Williams, Juan.** We the People: The Modern-Day Figures Who Have Reshaped the Founding Fathers’ Vision of What America Is

---Fiction---

**Adler, Elizabeth.** The Charmers

**Albert, Susan Wittig.** Blood Orange

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**Atherton, Nancy.** Aunt Dimity and the Buried Treasure

**Atkins, Ace.** Robert B. Parker’s Slow Burn

**Baldacci, David.** The Last Mile

**Berry, Steve.** The 14th Colony

**Black, Lisa.** That Darkness

**Bradford, Barbara Taylor.** The Cavendon Luck

**Brennan, Allison.** Poisonous

**Carr, Robyn.** What We Find

**Cussler, Clive.** The Emperor’s Revenge (The Oregon Files)

**Dalheim, Mary.** Here Comes the Bride

**Davidson, MaryJanice.** Danger, Sweetheart

**DeLillo, Don.** Zero K.

**Deveraux, Jude.** The Girl from Summer Hill

**Erdrich, Louise.** LaRose

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**Frank, Dorothya Benton.** All Summer Long

**Furst, Alan.** A Hero of France

**Giffin, Emily.** First Comes Love

**Grissom, Kathleen.** Glory Over Everything: Beyond the Kitchen House

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**Howard, Linda.** Troublemaker

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**Pratchett, Terry & Stephen Baxter.** Long Cosmos

**Presston, Douglas.** Beyond the Ice Limit: A Gideon Crew Novel

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**Quick, Amanda.** ’Til Death Do Us Part

**Quindlen, Anna.** Miller’s Valley

**Roberts, Nora.** Road

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**Rollins, James.** War Hawk

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TEENSPACE

APRIL AND MAY EVENTS 2016

Wednesday, April 6, 2016 – Glow in the Dark Egg Hunt – 3:30 p.m.
(Riverbender.com Community Center)

Wednesday, April 27, 2016 – Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center – start time 3:45 p.m.
(Riverbender.com Community Center)

Wednesday, May 4, 2016 – Teen Advisory Council – 4:30 p.m.
(Riverbender.com Community Center)

Wednesday, May 11, 2016 – End-of-the-School-Year-Party – 3:30 p.m.
(Riverbender.com Community Center)

Wednesday, May 18, 2016 – Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center – start time 3:45 p.m.
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TEEN SUMMER READING PROGRAM EVENTS 2016 “READ FOR THE WIN”

Saturday, June 4, 2016 – Summer Reading Kickoff – All participants who sign up on this day will get a chance to enter to win a $50 gift card.

Wednesday, June 8, 2016 – Space Jam Movie/Trivia
(Riverbender.com Community Center) 2–4 p.m.

Wednesday, June 15, 2016 – Life-Size Pac-Man
(Riverbender.com Community Center) 2–4 p.m.

Wednesday, June 22, 2016 – Free Play (Riverbender.com Community Center) 2–4 p.m.

Wednesday, June 29, 2016 – Performer Yo-Yo Matt
(Riverbender.com Community Center) 2–4 p.m.

Friday, July 1, 2016 – LAST DAY TO TURN IN READING SHEETS

Wednesday, July 6, 2016 – End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party (Game Day) 2–4 p.m.

To register for any of our spring programs, please call 618-433-2872. Registration for summer programming starts on Saturday, June 4, 2016, at our Alton Square location.