Hayner Library Now Offers a Library of Things: Non-Traditional Library Items Available for Check Out with Your Hayner Library Card!

Have you ever needed to use something once a year but didn’t want to purchase it because you had nowhere to store it? Have you ever wanted to try out a product before you buy it? Or has there ever been a big-ticket item that was too expensive to purchase—but you still needed to use it? Well, check out Hayner Library’s new Library of Things!

The Library of Things is a collection of unique, non-traditional library items available for check out by Hayner Library cardholders age eighteen and older. Library of Things collections are available at the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

The Library of Things includes items such as a pickleball set, baking kits, a tool kit, projectors, a green screen, telescopes, a bocce ball game, lawn croquet, podcasting equipment, a bubble machine, a metal detector, a microphone and speaker, a folding table, a socket and wrench set, a DVD/VHS-to-digital converter, leaf scoops, beginner piano keyboard, a microscope, a graphing calculator, and much more!

Be sure to stop by the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall to learn more about the The Library of Things. This collection will be available for check out later in the summer!

Hayner Library Newsletter Digitization Project

The Genealogy & Local History Library is starting a project to digitize all the Hayner Library newsletters and make them available (and searchable!) on archive.org. However, there are several we do not have in our possession. If you’ve saved any of these Hayner Library newsletters over the years, please consider bringing them to the library for our project! We’ll certainly take donations, but if it’s a newsletter you’d like to keep, we can also digitize it and return it to you.

We are currently seeking the following issues:

1993 – Spring, Summer, Fall
1994 – Summer
1995 – Spring, Summer, Fall
1996 – Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter
1997 – Spring, Fall, Winter
1998 – Spring
1999 – Spring
2000 – Summer
2001 – Winter
2008 – Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter

If you’d like to see what the finished project will look like, newsletters from 2015-2022 are already viewable on our online collection at archive.org. We appreciate your help in preserving the heritage of The Hayner Public Library District!
The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library offers Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.

Branching Out classes take place from 10-11:30 am.

July 13 Vital Records: From the Church to the Courthouse
July 20 Discussion Group
August 10 Where They Lived: Property Research
August 17 Discussion Group
September 14 Making a New Home: Immigration and Naturalization
September 21 Discussion Group

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic.

On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and each of us gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We just relax and listen when we don’t have anything to share. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2023 on the second and third Thursdays of each month.
Summer 2023 Activities

Summer Reading Program

Saturday, July 1, 2023 — Saturday Movie Matinee — 2 pm — Ages 2-12

Monday, July 3, 2023 — Under the Sea Craft Time — 10 am — Ages 2-6

Tuesday, July 4, 2023 — Library Closed in Observance of Independence Day

Wednesday, July 5, 2023 — The Peppy Puppets “The Three Little Fishies” — 10 am — All Ages

Thursday, July 6, 2023 — Ocean Science with Sam — 10 am — Ages 6-12

Thursday, July 6, 2023 — Treasures in the Library — (All Day) — Ages 2-12

Saturday, July 8, 2023 — Saturday Movie Matinee — 2 pm — Ages 2-12

Monday, July 10, 2023 — Under the Sea Craft Time — 10 am — Ages 2-6

Tuesday, July 11, 2023 — Stories and Art (Downtown Library) — 10 am — Ages 2-6

Tuesday, July 11, 2023 — Tree House Tuesday — 2 pm — Ages 6-12

Tuesday, July 11, 2023 — Last Day to Record Reading in BeanStack

Wednesday, July 12, 2023 — STL Aquarium “What is an Octopus?” — 10 am — All Ages

Thursday, July 13, 2023 — End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party 5-7 pm — Hayner Library Performance Room at Alton Square Mall — Rockin Rob — 6-7 pm

Family Story Time
Join Mary Kay and Panda Bear in an interactive story time for children of all ages. Enjoy stories, songs, an occasional puppet show, and a snack at 10 am at the Downtown Library. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

Pre-School Story Time
Join Sam and Theresa for this fun and interactive story time for 2 to 5-year-olds. Children will hear stories, sing songs, and make crafts that reflect the weekly theme at 10 am at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881.

Science with Sam
Science with Sam is a fun monthly STEAM-themed program that happens on the first Friday of each month, beginning in September. Sam will prepare take-home interactive kits for children ages 7-10 demonstrating different STEAM concepts, such as surface tension, Earth science, anatomy, and robotics! Each kit will include an item list and the ingredients needed to perform the activity. Adult assistance is required for some of the activities. Patrons may pick up their kit from the KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall on Friday, September 1, 2023.

Lego Club
Kids, join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Lego Club will meet in the KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall on the second Tuesday of each month from 4-5 pm. This program is for children ages 6 and older. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881.

The Nature Institute Movie Under the Stars
The Hayner Public Library District and The Nature Institute will partner for a one-night movie event under the stars on the Institute’s front yard! Bring your blanket or lawn chairs and a snack for a fun evening watching A Bug’s Life! The movie will begin at approximately 8:30 pm on July 25, 2023, at 2213 S. Levis Lane, Godfrey. No registration is required. For more information about other movies being shown this summer at The Nature Institute, please visit www.thenatureinstitute.org.

August & September

Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

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Tabletop Adventures
Do you like adventure? Do you like fantasy? Do you want to role-play your favorite hero or villain? Roll for initiative, because this is the place for you! Whether you are an experienced adventurer or looking to try out a new journey, you are welcome to come. Once a month, youth ages 9 to 14 are invited to join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, where we will try out roleplaying through the wonderful world of tabletop games. Interested in joining? Please call Sam at (618) 433-2881.

Dial-A-Story
For over twenty years, Hayner Library patrons have adored Dial-A-Story. It is a safe, free, educational, and entertaining activity for children—available from the comfort of your home!

Dial-A-Story is available twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year! Children may call (618) 462-TALE (618-462-8253) to listen to a short story recorded by a Hayner Library KidsSpace staff member. Each story lasts approximately five minutes and is geared toward young children. A different story will be available each week.

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month
The KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall will hand out a surprise goody bag to children who sign up for a library card in September (while supplies last). You must show your new library card to a KidsSpace staff member to get your goody bag!

Star Wars Reads Day
Star Wars Reads Day, launched in 2012 by Lucasfilm, is an international event that celebrates reading and Star Wars. KidsSpace invites patrons ages 6-12 to drop by KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 2-4 pm for a Star Wars-themed craft and snack. The fun takes place on Saturday, October 14, 2023. To register for this program, please call (618) 433-2872.

My Library Crate
Do you enjoy book subscriptions? If so, this one is for you! Each month we will supply you with a new-release book based on your reading preferences. The book crate will also contain some fun surprise items! When you have enjoyed your book, simply return it (and the box) to Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall for a new selection. Registration is easy: fill out the My Book Crate form on the TeenSpace page of the library’s website. Hayner staff will do the rest! For more information, please call Megan at (618) 433-2872.

Teen Movie Event
Hayner Library invites teens ages 12-18 to join us at the NCG Cinema at Alton Square Mall! We have rented a theater for a Saturday afternoon matinee, and participants will enjoy popcorn and soda during the movie. This program has a strictly enforced limit, so please register early! For more information about the movie title or to register, please call Megan at (618) 433-2872.

Teen Advisory Council (TAC)
What types of programs do you want to see at your library? You should be a part of the Teen Advisory Group, which makes decisions about new programs and events for teens at Hayner Library! This group will meet the second Wednesday of each month in the Teen Center in the Performance Room at Alton Square Mall at 4 pm. The next meeting date is Wednesday, September 13, 2023. Please register at (618) 433-2872.

For more information about these programs or to register, please call Megan at (618) 433-2872.
Join us for our Summer 2023 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, please 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.

**Steve Davis**
**Elvis! Live!**

Tuesday, August 15, 6:30 pm

Elvis (yes, THE Elvis!) returns to The Hayner Public Library District with his Las Vegas-style revue that will have you rockin’ in your blue suede shoes. Elvis sings and reminisces about his career in this great show that will take you back to Elvis’s Vegas performances of the 1970s. Don’t miss this chance to see The King live and onstage!

**John Lynn**
**Dead People of Illinois**

Wednesday, September 20, 6 pm

Searching for dead people in all the right places, this ‘underground’ presentation by renowned researcher John Lynn explores hundreds of Illinois cemeteries to find interesting graves and headstones, intriguing lives and deaths, and lots and plots of funny names! It’s an opportunity for mortals to not only whistle past the graveyard, but to pause and enjoy the oddities of life and death just in time for the Halloween season!

**The Sacred Marriage of Heaven and Earth in Han Dynasty Art and Architecture**

Saturday, September 23, 11 am

This presentation by Dr. Cory Willmott of SIUE’s Lifelong Learning Institute will focus on the Han Dynasty (202 BCE-9 CE, 25-220 CE), considered the “golden age” of Chinese civilization from which many elements of Chinese culture originated. At the core of Chinese symbolism are circle and square shapes as metaphors for Heaven and Earth, respectively. Dr. Willmott will interpret circle and square symbolism in Han Dynasty art forms, and then explore examples of them in art forms of more recent times.

This presentation will take place at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. No registration is required!
X’s and Sews: A New Crafting Program

Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable craft and join us for X’s and Sews, our crafting program designed to encourage all crafters to come and work on their projects while listening to relaxing music, warming up with a mug of hot tea, and chatting with fellow crafters. All crafts are welcome—embroidery, knitting, crochet, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitch, jewelry making, origami, quilting, wood-carving, you name it! If your craft can be transported with ease, come join us if you please! We can’t wait to meet everyone and see what you are creating!

This program will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 6-7:30 pm on the following Tuesdays: July 11 and 25; August 8 and 22; September 5 and 19, 2023. No registration is necessary.

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Writers Circle

Erasure Poetry—Saturday, July 15, 10 am-12 pm
Hermit Crab Fiction—Saturday, August 12, 10 am-12 pm
Poetry—Saturday, September 16, 10 am-12 pm

Note: This adult writing event will be held in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Staff at the Circulation Desk will point you in the right direction!

For the novice and the experienced: join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing and receive constructive feedback from your peers in guided group discussion.

The focus genre of our Writers Circle will change every month, so be sure to check in!

Coffee and tea will be provided.

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration is limited to ten people.

Color Connection: Adult Coloring Club

Monday, July 31, 5-7 pm
Monday, September 25, 5-7 pm

Note: This adult coloring event will be held in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Staff at the Circulation Desk will point you in the right direction!

Come color with us, and enjoy the company of other coloring enthusiasts!

Registration is not required. You can to stay the whole time, or just a little while. We will provide coloring pages, coloring bookmarks, and colored pencils. Feel free to bring your own supplies as well.
**Taps & Tomes Book Club Dates and Selections**

Taps & Tomes, our free bi-monthly book club in partnership with The Old Bakery Beer Company, continues to be an unqualified success! Our May discussion of *The Midnight Library* by Matt Haig provided a lively discussion and great fun, aided no doubt by some delectable Old Bakery beverages.

We’re excited to announce the dates and book selections for the remainder of 2023!

**Thursday, July 6, 2023, 6 pm — *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides**

**Thursday, September 7, 2023, 6 pm — *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot**

**Thursday, November 2, 2023, 6 pm — *The Forest of Vanishing Stars* by Kristin Harmel**

We’d love for you to join us for a drink and discussion of our next choice, *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides. Our social hour starts at 6 pm, with the discussion beginning at 7 pm. All Taps & Tomes book selections can be checked out at Hayner Library and are also available through the cloudLibrary and OverDrive digital platforms. The Taps & Tomes Book Club meets at The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton, IL.

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**Film Flashback Fridays**

What were we watching fifty years ago at the Starlight Drive-In, Grand Theater, and Alton Ciné? Our film series at the Genealogy & Local History Library will answer that question as we come together to watch some of the best movies of 1973. A short introduction will precede each film. Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Friday, July 28, 6 pm: Live and Let Die** (Roger Moore as James Bond)

**Friday, September 29, 6 pm: The Way We Were**

**Friday, November 3, 6 pm: Robin Hood**

To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.
New in Our Illinois Room


**Brief Biographies of the Figurines on Display in The Illinois State Historical Library Compiled** by Georgia L. Osborne (1932). IR 920.0773 OSB

**Brighton Centennial Cookbook, 1869-1969** IR 641.5 BRI

**Capturing the City: Photographs from the Streets of St. Louis, 1900-1930** by Joseph Heathcott (2016). IR 977.866 HEA

**Catholic Churches of South Calhoun: St. Mary, Brussels – St. Joseph, Meppen – St. Barbara, Batchtown.** IR LOCKED CASES 282.9773853 CAT 1993

**City of Alton, Illinois: Land Subdivision Ordinance #6104 (199?).** IR 333.770977386 CIT


**Community Development Plan, June 6, 1988** IR 333.770977386 COM

**A Development Guide, Wood River Township Area** by Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville (1979). IR 333.770977386 SOU

**Grandma’s Stew** Compiled by St. Ruth Altar Society, St. Ambrose Catholic Church (1975). IR 641.5 GRA


**The Haskell Family: 1211 Henry Street, Alton, Illinois** Compiled by The Hayner Public Library District (2023). IR 346.0438 HAS


**Madison County Zoning Ordinance, Madison County, Illinois (2001).** IR 352 MAD

**OnZed Altonian Owens-Illinois Glass Company** (October 1941 newsletter). IR LOCKED CASES 666.1 OWE 1941/10


**Shock and Awe: The Spiritual Journey of Coyote Chris Sutton** (2001). IR 8 B Sutton

**Your Favorite Recipes from the Fire Department: Fieldon Fire Protection District** (2011). IR 641.5 YOU

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**Adult Summer Reading Program**

**July 1-31, 2023**

Join us for our 2023 Adult Summer Reading Program! Hayner Library patrons ages 18 and older can enter to win fun prizes by playing Summer Reading Bingo! Mark the bingo boxes as you complete different activities including reading, checking out materials, or learning about Alton! The first bingo sheet will be available to patrons July 1, with a second sheet, including all-new activities, available on July 15. Upon returning your bingo sheet to the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or the Downtown Library, you will earn one raffle ticket for each bingo. A full bingo sheet will earn you an extra raffle ticket!

Prizes include: an outdoor egg swing chair with stand; a two-in-one firepit/grill; and an outdoor game set that includes badminton, volleyball, horseshoes, flip toss, and frisbee! Register at the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or the Downtown Library starting July 1!

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**Tech Help Appointments**

Did you know you can book our Reference Librarian for one-on-one technology help appointments?

These appointments cover basic questions about:
- eBooks, eAudiobooks, and eReaders
- Using library databases and online learning resources
- Using apps
- Computer skills or programs (Microsoft Office, using the internet, email, etc.)
- Mobile devices (tablets, cell phones, laptops, etc.)
- Basic device troubleshooting

Each appointment is booked for thirty minutes. To make the most of your time, the appointment may be limited to one issue and/or one device, depending on the nature of your request.

To request an appointment, please fill out our online form at haynerlibrary.org/how-do-i/library-services/tech-help-appointments, or call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2845.

After we’ve received your request, we will contact you to schedule the appointment!
**Computer Classes at Hayner Library**

Back by popular demand, The Hayner Public Library District is once again offering computer classes! Courses will be held twice a month, covering topics from basic skills to using social media platforms such as Facebook and Pinterest. Whether you have no computer experience or just need a refresher, feel free to join us for these introductory classes!

Laptops will be provided, and space is limited! To reserve your spot, please call 1-800-613-3163.

**Computer Basics**
Thursday, July 13
2-3 pm
*Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall*

**Internet/Email**
Saturday, July 22
2-3 pm
*Genealogy & Local History Library*

**Social Media**
Thursday, August 17
6-7 pm
*Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall*

**Microsoft Word**
Saturday, August 26
2-3 pm
*Genealogy & Local History Library*

**Internet/Email**
Thursday, September 21
2-3 pm
*Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall*

**Computer Basics**
Saturday, September 30
2-3 pm
*Genealogy & Local History Library*

*Note: Computer Basics is for the true beginner. This class will cover foundational skills, such as understanding the parts of a computer and how to use the keyboard and mouse.*

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**When the Stars Came Out:**
*The Story of the Mississippi River Festival*

**Presented by Mark Pierce**
Saturday, July 15, 10 am

To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.

Join us as author Mark Pierce discusses his new book, *When the Stars Came Out: Stories of the Mississippi River Festival!* In the summer of 1969, the Mississippi River Festival (MRF) kicked off on the campus of Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. Over the next twelve turbulent summers, the outdoor concert series attracted more than a million fans, showcased the talents of hundreds of legendary performers (including The Who, Bob Dylan, the Grateful Dead, the Eagles, and Janis Joplin), and created countless memories among the artists, fans, and workers who called the MRF their summer home.

Pierce has been a journalist and corporate communications leader in the St. Louis area for more than thirty years. A graduate of Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, his love of music and connections with many pivotal players in the MRF story served as inspiration for the new book, which was written with Jack Twesten and former festival director Lyle Ward. Pierce will be sharing stories he collected during his research and will have the copies of *When the Stars Came Out* for sale after the presentation!

Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.
**FICTION—**

Abrams, Stacey.  The Art of Desire

Acevedo, Elizabeth.  Family Lore

Andrews, Donna.  Birdie, She Wrote: A Meg Langslow Mystery

Andrews, Mary Kay.  Bright Lights, Big Christmas

Archer, Jeffrey.  Traitors Gate

Atkinson, Kate.  Normal Rules

Don’t Apply: Stories

Bailey, Tess.  Chase Me

Beaton, M. C.  Dead on Target: An Agatha Raisin Mystery

Benjamin, Melanie.  California Golden

Bentley, Don.  Tom Clancy Weapons Grade (Jack Ryan Jr.)

Black, Lisa.  What Harms You

Bowen, Rhys.  The Paris Assignment

Brennan, Allison.  North of Nowhere: A Thriller

Brown, Graham.  Clive Cussler Condor’s Fury (NUMA Files)

Brown, Sandra.  Out of Nowhere

Burke, James Lee.  Flags on the Bayou

Cabot, Meg.  Enchanted to Meet You: A Witches of West Harbor Novel

Castillo, Linda.  An Evil Heart

(Kate Burkholder)

Center, Katherine.  Hello Stranger

Chiaverini, Jennifer.  CANARY GIRLS

Childs, Laura.  Honey Drop Dead (Tea Shop Mystery)

Colgan, Jenny.  The Summer Skies

Donoghue, Emma.  Learned by Heart

Downing, Samantha.  A Twisted Love Story

Ellroy, James.  The Enchanters

Feeney, Alice.  Good Bad Girl

Fluke, Joanne.  Pink Lemonade Cake Murder (Hannah Swensen)


Follett, Ken.  The Armor of Light

Francis, Felix.  No Reserve (Dick Francis Novel)

Freeman, Brian.  Robert Ludlum’s The Bourne Defiance

Galbraith, Robert.  The Running Grave: A Cormoran Strike Novel

Goldberg, Lee.  Malibu Burning

Goldin, Megan.  Dark Corners

Graham, Heather.  Cursed at Dawn

Graham, Heather.  Secrets in the Dark

Harris, Charlaine.  All the Dead Shall Weep

Harvey, Kristy Woodson.  The Summer of Songbirds

Heller, Peter.  The Last Ranger

Hoffman, Alice.  The Invisible Hour

Jance, J. A.  Blessing of the Lost Girls: A Brady and Walker Family Novel

Jewell, Lisa.  None of This Is True

Jiles, Paulette.  Chennelle: A Novel of Murder, Loss, and Vengeance

Johnson, Craig.  The Longmire Defense

Jones, Sandie.  The Trade Off

King, Stephen.  Holly

Koontz, Dean.  After Death

Krueger, William Kent.  The River We Remember

Lapena, Shari.  Everyone Here Is Lying

Lippman, Laura.  Prom Mom

Macomber, Debbie.  Must Love Flowers

McAllister, Gillian.  Just Another Missing Person

McBride, James.  The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store

McCall Smith, Alexander.  The Discreet Charm of the Big Bad Wolf (Detective Varg)

Michaels, Fern.  Rock Bottom (Sisterhood)

Mina, Denise.  The Second Murderer: A Philip Marlowe Novel

Novak, Brenda.  Tahulah’s Back in Town

Patchett, Ann.  Tom Lake: A Novel

Patterson, James.  Payback in Death (Eve Dallas)

Patterson, James.  Tides of Fire: A Thriller (SIGMA Force)

Perry, Anne.  The Traitor Among Us (Elena Standish)

Preston, Douglas.  Dead Mountain (Nora Kelly)

Reichs, Kathy.  The Bone Hacker (Temperance Brennan)

Rimmer, Kelly.  The Paris Agent

Robb, J. D.  Payback in Death (Eve Dallas)

Rollins, James.  After That Night: A Will Trent Thriller

Smirnoff, Karin.  The Girl in the Eagle’s Talons: A Lisbeth Salander Novel (Dragon Tattoo)

Steel, Danielle.  Happiness

Tapper, Jake.  All the Demons Are Here

Thor, Brad.  Dead Fall: A Thriller (Scot Harvath)

Weiner, Jennifer.  The Breakaway

Whitehead, Colson.  Crook Manifesto

**NONFICTION—**

Anderson, Cooper.  Astor: The Rise and Fall of an American Fortune


Buettner, Dan.  The Blue Zones Secrets for Living Longer: Lessons from the Healthiest Places on Earth

Carew Kraft, Jessica.  Why We Need to Be Wild: One Woman’s Quest for Ancient Human Answers to 21st Century Problems

Casey, Susan.  The Underworld: Journeys to the Depths of the Ocean

Dent, Mark.  Kingdom Quarterback: Patrick Mahomes, the Kansas City Chiefs, and How a Once Swingin’ Cow Town Chased the Ultimate Comeback

Grush, Loren.  The Six: The Untold Story of America’s First Women Astronauts

Gutfeld, Greg.  The King of Late Night

Harden, Greg.  Stay Sane in an Insane World: How to Control the Controllables and Thrive

Hollis, B. Dylan.  Baking Yesteryear: The Best Recipes from the 1900s to the 1980s

Jacobs, Sally H.  Althea: The Life of Tennis Champion Althea Gibson

Lauren, Jillian.  Behold the Monster: Confronting America’s Most Prolific Serial Killer

Lepore, Jill.  The Deadline: Essays

Loeb, Avi.  Interstellar: The Search for Extraterrestrial Life and Our Future in the Stars

Lucado, Max.  God Never Gives Up on You: What Jacob’s Story Teaches Us About Grace, Mercy, and God’s Relentless Love

Mann, Michael E.  Our Fragile Moment: How Lessons from Earth’s Past Can Help Us Survive the Climate Crisis

O’Reilly, Bill.  Killing the Witches: The Horror of Salem, Massachusetts

Pate, Kash Pamond.  Government Gangsters: The Deep State, the Truth, and the Battle for Our Democracy

Saad, Gad.  The Saad Truth about Happiness: 8 Secrets for Leading the Good Life

Strassel, Kimberley.  The Biden Malaise: How America Bounces Back from Joe Biden’s Dismal Repeat of the Jimmy Carter Years

Taraborrelli, J. Randy.  Jackie: Public, Private, Secret

Taupin, Bernie.  Scattershot: Life, Music, Elton, and Me

Thielen, Amy.  Company: The Radically Casual Art of Cooking for Others

Walczynski, Mark.  Joliet and Marquette: A New History of the 1673 Expedition

Washington, Terry.  Thicker Than Water: A Memoir

Wenner, Jan S.  The Masters: Conversations with Dylan, Lennon, Jagger, Townshend, Garcia, Bono, and Springsteen

Wickens, Kim.  Lexington: The Extraordinary Life and Turbulent Times of America’s Legendary Racehorse
From Story to Film

Join us for our next story to film club! One meeting will be dedicated to book discussion, and the other to watching the movie.

**Little Women by Louisa May Alcott/Little Women (2019)**

Monday, August 14, 5:30-7:30 pm

Friday, August 25, 5-7:30 pm

We will be discussing *Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott, and watching the 2019 film adaptation.

Attendees should read the book ahead of time so they can join in on the discussion! Please speak with someone in Circulation to order a copy in regular print, large print, or audio format. Copies of the book may also be reserved online through the Hayner Library website or through the SHARE Mobile Library app. Digital and audio copies are also available on the cloudLibrary and OverDrive digital platforms.

**Note:** This adult program will be held in two parts. The book discussion will be held in the Multipurpose Room at the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and the movie will be shown in Hayner Library’s Performance Room at Alton Square Mall. Someone at the Circulation Desk will point you in the right direction!

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration is limited to twenty people.

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**Community Science Series**

Join us for a new lecture series with The Nature Institutes’s Ramona Pollard! Focused on all the ways that the wider community can participate in ongoing science projects, Ramona will share information and strategies that will help scientists gain real world data! Don’t miss these opportunities to help move science forward!

**Birds: The Early Bird Gets the Worm**

Location: Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

**Tuesday, July 18, 6 pm**

Birds are up early feeding in the cool of the morning, that’s true, but they also become active in the late afternoon. Let’s learn about some community science projects that focus on birds! These projects look at migration patterns, species abundance, and nesting behavior. You will leave knowing some birding basics for identifying birds, a better understanding of how to choose binoculars, and a few community science projects to check out for your own use!

**Helping NASA: Small Changes Can Be Significant**

Location: Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

**Tuesday, September 12, 6 pm**

Scientists with NASA are working to figure out what satellite images are telling us about the natural world. Through observing clouds, weather patterns, and other day-to-day changes, you can help inform the researchers doing that work! The community science app Globe Observer is a champion at asking for basic information from people all over the world that can give insight into what is happening in real-time in specific places. Join us to find out what this data collection is teaching us about our world and find out how to get involved!
Hayner Library Announces Quarterly Fine Amnesty Program

The Hayner Public Library District is happy to announce two new fine amnesty programs during the year. In addition to our “Food for Fido” and “Food for Fines” amnesty programs, which take place in April and October respectively, we will also hold “Cold but Kind” in January and “Supplies for Summer” in July!

For “Supplies for Summer”, patrons can bring in personal hygiene products such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, hand lotion, etc. when returning overdue Hayner Library items. These items will be donated to the Alton School District and Crisis Food Center and patrons’ fines will be waived. For “Cold but Kind”, patrons can bring in cold weather clothing such as stocking caps, socks, gloves, and scarves when returning overdue Hayner Library items. These items will be donated to the Crisis Food Center and patrons’ fines will be waived. As with our “Food for Fido” and “Food for Fines” programs, “Supplies for Summer” and “Cold but Kind” items must be donated at the same time the overdue Hayner Library items are returned.

The benefits of this program are threefold: patrons with long-overdue library items benefit from a quarterly fine amnesty program (January, April, July, and October); overdue library materials make their way back to the library so that they can be enjoyed by other library patrons; and organizations such as the Alton Area Animal Aid Association (5 A’s) and Crisis Food Center can benefit from our patrons’ generosity. It’s a win-win for everyone!