

Carthage Public Library District

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BELIEVE IN THE NEW LIBRARY FUNDRAISING MATCH CHALLENGE



We're over halfway!! As of February 23 we have raised \$56,190 toward the \$100,000 matching challenge! Please help us reach our goal by donating or making a pledge before the end of March.

Engraved bricks and pavers are still an option, and can be given in memory of or to honor someone. We are grateful to the family of Susan Conklin for suggesting that memorial gifts be made to the library.

Checks to the Carthage District Library Foundation can be mailed to Carthage Public Library at 500 Wabash Ave., Carthage, IL 62321. Online giving is possible through the Foundation's webpage, www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/library-foundation.

HISTORY OF PIES PROGRAM

March 7, 6:00 pm

The Library is sponsoring a History of Pies in America and Illinois presented by Catherine Lambrecht, editor of "Heirloom Recipes from the Illinois State Fair." (greatermidwestfoodways.com)



The program will be held at 6:00 pm on Thursday, March 7 in the multipurpose room of the First Baptist Church in Carthage. In addition to her talk, Catherine will demonstrate how to make a pie crust. Audience members are encouraged to bring a favorite pie recipe and share the story that goes with it. Library staff will photograph or copy the recipes and email them to interested participants.

The program is free. The Friends of the Library will be serving pie for refreshments; a free-will donation would be appreciated.



The program is funded by a grant from the Illinois Humanities Road Scholars program. Illinois Humanities is supported in part by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Illinois Arts Council.

Friends of the Library: Friends of the library will meet next on March 26th at 5:00pm at the Carthage Public library.



RSA cat Mobile App is back up and running! The App is currently available in the app store for android and Apple users. This application is a great way to

see what items you are currently borrowing from the library, and to place library holds. All library members have the ability to use the application. You just need your library card number and a PIN. If you have not set up a PIN at the library you can do so by calling the library!

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday & Wednesday	11:00 am - 7:00 pm
Tuesday & Thursday	9:30 am - 7:00 pm
Friday	11:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday	9:00 am - 5:00 pm

TAKE A VIRTUAL LIBRARY TOUR

Now visitors to the library's website, www.carthagepubliclibrary.com can take a virtual walk through our library. Use the white arrows on the photos to move through the building, or use the navigation pane on the left to jump to a specific area. Be sure to rotate each image for a 360 degree view.

Throughout the tour you will see blue circles with our logo. These may identify an area, provide additional information, or be a link to a video or another page of our website.

This tour was created through Midwest Pano using funding from the Tracy Family Foundation.

Illinois Libraries Present is a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier virtual events.



If you missed the Regency & Romance program with Brigerton author Julia Quinn, you can watch the recording on the Illinois Libraries Presents YouTube channel through March 8, bit.ly/WatchJuliaQuinn

On **Wed, March 20, at 7:00 pm**, join us for "Interweaving Tradition and Imagination Through Costume Design" featuring the two-time Academy Award-winning costume designer, Ruth E. Carter. Her ability to develop an authentic story through costume and character made her one of the most sought after and renowned costume designers today. She is best known for turning the *Black Panther* film's superhero into an African King, winning the Best Costume Design for both the first *Black Panther* film and its sequel, *Wakanda Forever*.

This event will NOT be recorded for later viewing, but you may register to view on-line that evening bit.ly/ILP_RuthCarter or attend a watch party at the library.

Wednesday, April 3 at 7:00 pm will be "The Hidden Gifts of Visual Thinkers" with Dr. Temple Grandin. Dr. Grandin has been at the forefront of research and activism for autism and neurodiversity for decades, and her research and understanding of animal behavior spearheaded a reform in the quality of life for agricultural animals worldwide. Register for the Zoom program at bit.ly/ILP_TempleGrandin

Radio March 13 8:30am: The library will be on WCAZ live! Tune in to hear fundraising updates, and all about our library programs!

5th-12th grade—Lego Afternoon: March 15

3:30pm-4:30pm. Come to the library to use our 10lbs of legos to build!

Stay tuned In April we are doing Nerf wars again!

Movie Days: It's 90's movies at the library!

March 8th 1:00pm— We're Back a Dinosaur's Story

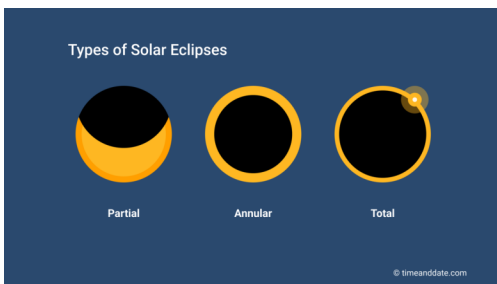
April 2nd 1:00pm- The Pebble and the Penguin
Popcorn and a drink are provided. We have quiet activities set up for those who would like to watch a movie and do other things at the same time. (magna type tiles, games)

Multi-aged Programs:

Chess/Checkers: Open to all ages kids and adults. Thursday March 28. 4:30pm-5:30pm. Stop by the library to play chess or learn a little chess. We will also have a couple checkers boards set up.

Yarn! Crochet/Knit! Tuesday March 5, 19:
6:30pm-8:00pm Stop by the library to learn to knit or crochet or bring your current project!

Community Game Night: Tuesday March 12, 5:30pm-7:00pm stop by the library for games and refreshments. We will have games available to play or you can bring your favorite game to share with others!



Saint Patrick's Party Kids Kindergarten-4th Grade: March 14 4:30pm-6:00pm We will have a treasure hunt, leprechaun crafts, games and snacks.

Lunar Eclipse: Melissa Smith, who is the NASA ambassador for our area, will be at the library on March 25. She has a presentation on the up coming solar eclipse. We will also make masks for our solar eclipse viewers. This is a free program for children and their families.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten! It was was a busy month for 1000 books before kindergarten with families sharing their love of reading. We had three children make progress towards their 1000 books, and new families starting their challenge! Illiana Sparrow finished her 1000 book challenge!

SWAPS! We will continue game swap in March. Get your old craft (paper, and fabric, and yarn) supplies ready because in April we will have a craft supply Swap!

Adult Programs!

Book Club! Bookclub will meet on March 14th to discuss Every Note Played by Lisa Genova. April book is the Quilter's Apprentice by Jennifer Chiaverini. Anyone is welcome to join book club. Books are available at the front desk You do not need to be a book club member or to attend book club to checkout the book!

Lunar Eclipse Presentation: Melissa Smith, who is a Nasa Ambassador, is doing a presentation on the Lunar Eclipse specifically for adults! At 6:00pm on March 25. Light refreshments provided. Come learn about the eclipse and get your free solar glasses.

Weekly Programs!

Mondays 3:30pm Prek-6th grades Building/Coding Activities

Mar. 4— Keeva Planks. This month we are making a marble run!

Mar. 11. Magnetic Tiles

Mar. 17. LEGO Mania! 10lb+ of LEGOS to build with!

Mar. 25. Lunar Eclipse for Kids! See below for more information.

Preschool Storytime— Tuesdays 10am! Kindergarten ages and younger with an adult. Songs, books, crafts, and activities designed to work on fine and gross motor skills and pre-reading skills! A great way to aid in socializing young children! March Themes: 3/5 Rain, 3/12 Planting ,3/19 Big and Small, 3/26 Biscuit the Dog

All Abilities Craft Club— Wednesdays 1pm. These crafts take about half an hour. Sometimes we read a story that goes along with them.



March Kids Programs

On Your Own Programs!

Read Around The Town! Make sure to participate in our reading challenge for 2024! Bring a library book with you around the community and take a picture! More details available here! <https://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/adults.html>

Readers Choice: Voting for readers choice grades k-12 takes place this month. Participants who don't attend the Carthage Elementary School District should contact the library for a ballot! Monarch and Bluestem voting due by March 10.