

Carthage Public Library District

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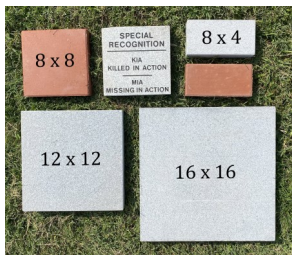
LIBRARY BOND ISSUE PASSES !!

Plans for the new library continue.

With the sale of the bonds, the Library has our local cost share so we will receive the grant funding from the State Library. Our reserve funds will be used to cover budget increases.

We will work with the architects to finalize plans and prepare the blueprints and bid documents. As a public body, the Library will then begin the formal process of advertising and receiving bids to select a general contractor.

Fundraising efforts will continue. The brick and paver fundraiser is an opportunity for community members, as well as former residents, to be part of the project and to honor the memory of loved ones. Future efforts will focus on raising funds for new furnishings.



Honor a family member or loved one with an engraved brick or paver.

\$ 100 - \$ 249	8" x 4" clay Brick
\$ 250 - \$ 499	8" x 8" Clay Paver
\$ 500 - \$ 999	8" x 4" Grey Granite Brick
\$1,000 - \$2,499	8" x 8" Grey Granite Paver
\$2,500 - \$4,999	12" x 12" Grey Granite Paver
\$5,000 - \$9,999	16" x 16" Grey Granite Paver

Checks may be made to the Carthage District Library Foundation, a 501(c)(3) charity, and mailed to 500 Wabash Ave., Carthage, IL 62321. Credit card and Paypal donations may be made on the Foundation's webpage: <https://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/library-foundation.html>

Friends of the Library Annual Meeting

Everyone is invited to attend the annual meeting of the Friends of the Carthage Public Library on Monday, May 24, at 6:00 pm in the Welcome Center of Trinity Lutheran Church.

Joyce Buckert will give a presentation on the Hancock County Historical Society's book: Rural One-room Schools of Hancock County, 1830's-1960's.

If you wish to support the Friends and the Library as an official dues-paying member, a form is attached.

Current 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

Closed Memorial Day, Mon. May 31

Summer Hours: (June 1-Sept. 4)

Monday & Wednesday 11:00 am - 6:00 pm
Tuesday & Thursday 9:30 am - 6:00 pm
Friday 11:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

**The Tues. & Thurs. morning hours
are now open to everyone.**

Carthage Zip Code Day 6-23-21

The city and Chamber of Commerce are planning activities for June 23 to celebrate 62321.

As part of the celebration, the Library is inviting the public to share original stories, poems, drawings, and photographs about the Carthage area. Possible topics include memories of the past, favorite things about living in the area, scenic views, etc.

Submissions will be reproduced and displayed on yard signs around the courthouse lawn that day. This is not a contest; no prizes will be offered.

Stop by the library or email us to request a form and complete guidelines. Submissions should be turned in to the library by June 9 and can be submitted in person or digitally to cartlib@mtcnow.net

STORY-BOOK WALK



Walk around the courthouse lawn and read the book In the Tall, Tall, Grass by Denise Fleming. If you stop in the library afterwards to tell us you participated, you will receive a small bag of gummy worms as a treat.

Adult Book Club

Book Club meets June 10th to discuss The Secret Wisdom of the Earth by Christopher Scotton. Copies are available at the library. The book is described as "Atticus Finch meets Deliverance" and is set in 1980's West Virginia. During the summer, the Book Club will meet at 12:30pm in Friendship Park or the Library, depending on the weather.

There will also be other activities for adults this summer. (See page 2).

Summer Reading Kick-off Events

Summer reading will officially start June 1st. However the week before there will be some kickoff events! Events are May 24th-29th. Checkout the [website](https://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/summer-2021.html) <https://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/summer-2021.html> for more details.

Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
You can pick up reading logs during open hours this week! Our hours for the week of May 24-29 are as follows. M & W 11am-7pm, T & T 9:30am-7pm, F 11am-5pm, S 9am-5pm. Reading logs start May 30th. All week there are unlikely animal friends pictured on the library windows! Stop by to see them!				
24 Teen Meeting 11am	25 Animal Movie Trivia at the library. 11am Disney movies 2pm Other movies (geared more towards adults)	27 Stuffed animal sleep over. Have your stuffed animal dropped off by 7pm.	28 Pick up stuffed animals. Tie Dye in the Park between 11-1 at Friendship Park. (west of City Hall) Bring your own items to tie dye	29 Bookmark Contest Entries due 5pm

Stuffed Animal Sleepover—The children aren’t sleeping over at the library, but their favorite stuffed animal friends are. Staff will take photos of their adventures to share with you.



You can now register for summer reading! Reading logs will be available for pickup starting May 24th either online or from the library. Tori is very excited that the library is able to offer more than one type of reading log this year. “The goal is to encourage reading. We don’t want to make the reading log to seem like a barrier. By offering 3-4 different formats we are able to let individuals choose what works best for them and their families.” Reading log options for kids include: an online version through the website “Engaged Patrons” and paper versions where you can choose to keep track of days read, minutes read, or books read. For adults we have a paper reading log to keep track of books read, an online option through “Engaged Patrons,” and a paper bookshelf version.

We are also offering SPARKS: Summer Program for Adults Reading Kids Stuff. Children's and Young Adult Literature has changed dramatically over the past few decades and is more diverse than ever before. Spend the summer revisiting some old favorite books and exploring new books!

To sign up for any of the summer reading log programs please use the website at the top of the page or come into the library. Remember you are never too young or too old to participate in summer reading!

Reading Challenges

Our independent reading programs for all ages are in full swing for the year. Our quarterly prize drawing was held on April 10th. Sarah, Leonidas and Megan were the winners. Follow [this link](#) to fill out the prize drawing entry form for all months participated to be entered for the 2nd quarter prize drawing.

Each month is a new opportunity to participate. Explanations of the three options are on our website: [carthagepubliclibrary.com/pick-your-reading-challenge-2021.html](https://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/pick-your-reading-challenge-2021.html)

Teen Multiple Format Book Club

This is a summer book club for teens & tweens! Books will be in multiple formats including: graphic novel version, audio book version, regular book version and a movie version. Come to the Teen Meeting on May 24th to help pick the 1st book!

During other weeks the group will discuss any books they’ve read recently—this is a great way to get recommendations for your next read! There will also be game days and arts and crafts for teens this summer.

Activities: We have many activities for all ages this summer! A complete calendar will be out in a couple weeks, but there is a sample calendar below. We are excited to offer story times this summer at the local parks. There will be some books available for checkout at every program in case you can’t make it to the library afterwards.

Programs include stories, music, movement, and crafts for elementary and younger children plus book clubs and crafting sessions for teens and adults. Our first activity date will be Tuesday, June 1st. Since we our closed on May 31, the normal Monday activities will be held Tues., June 1.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
None	9am Play to Learn (0-3 yrs & caregiver (WOW Park) 10:30am Teen Book Club, and activities (Friendship Park) 2pm Elementary Activities. (Jaycee Park)	None except on June 1	9:30am Elementary Activities (WOW Park) 1:00pm – Teens (Friendship Park)	9:30am: Preschool (WOW Park) 12:30pm: Adult Activities (Friendship Park or the Library) 5:30pm Family Night (WOW Park)	None	None