

Carthage Public Library District

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SUCCESSFUL FISH FRY FUNDRAISER



We want to thank everyone who helped make the fish fry fundraiser a success. We raised over \$3,900 after expenses. It is exciting to be able to put it toward the new Library building. Whether you bought a dinner, made a desert or helped serve we appreciate you!

GIFT BASKET RAFFLE



The Friends of the Library is still seeking donations for their annual gift basket raffle fundraiser - either a complete basket of goodies or items that we can combine with other donations to put together a basket. We would like to have items by Nov. 3 or complete baskets by Nov. 8. If you would like to help put the baskets together & decorate them, please come to the library at 5:00 pm on Monday, November 6.

The finished baskets will be displayed at the Library and photos with descriptions will be posted on our website and Facebook pages. Raffle tickets will be on sale from Nov. 14-Dec. 14. Tickets cost \$2 each or 6 for \$10 and may be purchased at the library or from a member of the Friends Board. The winning tickets will be drawn on December 15 and winners will be contacted.



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

November 8, at 7:00 pm will be a demonstration from the kitchen of Maya-Camille Broussard, author of Justice of the Pies. She will share her love of pie, stories of those that inspired her, and tips and tricks to help you make the perfect pie. **Register here:** bit.ly/ILP_Maya-Camille for a link to the virtual program.

“Surviving the Holidays with Lori Gottlieb” will be on December 6 at 7:00 pm. Lori, a psychotherapist and bestselling author of Maybe You Should talk to Someone, gives tips for making the holidays less stressful. **Register here:** [Bit.ly/ILP_LoriGottlieb](https://bit.ly/ILP_LoriGottlieb)

There will be a watch party with snacks for each of the above programs, or register to watch on your own and receive a link to a recording.

On December 16 and 17 ILP will provide access to a recording of *The Nutcracker* performed by the Royal Ballet. No watch party will be held for this event, you must register to receive an email with a special link for viewing: bit.ly/WatchTheNutcracker

Santa to visit the Library! Santa will visit the library on December 14 at 5:30pm. Santa has agreed to read a story and will be passing out candy canes. Family members can have their child’s picture taken with Santa. (you must bring your own camera and take your own pictures) After having a picture taken with Santa families will move upstairs for crafts, games, and of course Christmas Cookies.

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

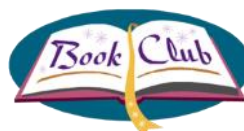
Closed Veterans Day - Sat., Nov. 11
Close at 5pm Nov. 22, and Closed Nov. 23

AXIS360 CHANGED TO BOUNDLESS



If you have used the Axis360 app to download audiobooks and e-books from the library’s eReadIllinois site, you now need to download the Baker & Taylor Boundless app instead. All of your checkouts, lists, & holds should transfer. Stop by the library if you need help.

If you haven’t tried out e-books or downloadable audios, this is a great time to do so. Our patrons also have access to even more titles using the Libby app and Alliance Digital Media Library (ADML).

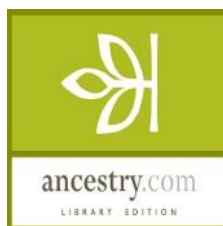


November Book Club

This is a great time to join a Book Club. The Library’s group meets at 12:30 pm on the second Thursday of each month. The book for Nov. 9 is Grace by Richard Paul Evans. This is a really short book! You still have time to read it!

Book Club will also meet on December 14. At that meeting everyone will discuss a holiday book they are reading/have read.

Carthage Christmas Open House— The library will be participating in the Carthage Christmas Open house on Nov. 30. Make sure to stop by the library to get some of our famous hot punch and some chex mix.



The library subscribes to Ancestry for libraries. This resource is available only in the library! We also have library staff who would be happy to help you with your ancestry database search. Stop by the library to use this great resource



Sign up your 0-5 year-old for 1000 Books Before Kindergarten. Receive a free book and a rubber ducky for every 100 books read. Fall/Winter is a great time to start making reading a daily habit at your home! Remember it is never too early or too late to start reading with a child.

WEEKLY EVENTS

Rhythm and Movement Plus Storytime

Tuesdays at 10:00 am. This active storytime is for kids ages 1-5 with a caregiver. It includes music, movement, and rhythm instruments as well as fine motor and sensory activities.



Oct. 31 we will have a costume dance party during preschool storytime.



STEAM ACTIVITY TIME - Thursdays,

3:30 pm For ages 3 years - 3rd grade (preschoolers must have an adult attend with them). November: This group is currently

working on designing their own board or card game. We will be working on game design, writing skills, and will then test out the games and work on sportsmanship. **This group will not meet Nov. 24**

TWEEN TIME—Mondays 3:30pm This month the Tweens will be making a video at the library.

TEEN ACTIVITIES -- Every Tuesday in November 7th-12th grade students can stop by the library at 3:30pm for games and snacks. We will also have some of our teen resources out.

English Language Learners Group: Adults and students



10 and older who wish to improve their English meet on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm. Participants may bring their younger children if needed; however, there is no formal program for younger children at this time. **Will not meet Nov. 22.**

Crocheting Group - 8 years thru Adult

This group meets every-other-Tuesday from 6:30-8:00 pm. November 14 & 28, and Dec. 12. For all skill levels. Yarn & hooks are provided for learning, or bring your own project. Knitters and embroiderers are also welcome.



Early Literacy kits available for checkout: Fall 1 (has leaves), Castle #1, Colors #2, Monsters #1, Sleepy Time #1, Taco Time #1, and unicorns. These are available for checkout with your library card, a two week checkout!

Reading Challenges!

READ IN COLOR: Independent reading challenge make sure to turn in by November 10th. You can download one here: <https://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/adults.html> or pick one up at the library. Remember to turn in your reading challenge even if you only read one or two books on the reading challenge.

Fireside Reading Challenge: For November and December We have a fireside reading challenge. Color in a brick for each day you read. There are 23 bricks. Bring in your completed or partially completed by January 10th. Link Here: https://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/uploads/4/2/6/0/42607329/fireside_reading_challenge.pdf

Statewide Reading Programs: Students are encouraged to participate in the statewide program for their grade level. Copies of the lists and many of the books are on display and ready to be checked out. Many of the books are also available as e-books or downloadable audiobooks through the library's eread Illinois or ADML sites.

November Only!

During the Month of November the Library is accepting donations for the food pantry or the Food for Thought Programs.

Community Game Night

Nov. 6, 5:30 pm– 7:00 pm

Stop by the library for fun with board games, cards, and more. Light snack provided. This is an all ages event -- Seniors to Toddlers are welcome -- and it's free. You can bring your favorite game to play with others or play a game the library has.

MOVIE DAY Nov. 10, 10:00 am *Gnomeo and Juliet*. (PG) Popcorn & cookies provided. All Ages Welcome!

Find the Turkey: Paper turkeys will be hidden in the library starting Nov. 1. Find one and bring it to the front desk for a treat.

Get Ready For Family Reading Night:

On Nov. 15 at 4:30pm Tori will be reading stories to families and offer hot chocolate and a snack. Kids are invited to leave a stuffed animal to sleep over at the library and families are invited to check out books for family reading night.

Illinois State Library encourages families to participate in Family Reading Night on Nov. 16th. Families reading together help promote life long learning and togetherness. Whether you read out-loud or have each family member read their own book silently it is important to participate.

The library will be participating in Carthage Elementary School's Family Literacy Night that evening. We hope to see you there.

World Children's Day: During the week of Nov. 20 stop by the library to add your name to our kindness chain and earn a small prize.