

Carthage Public Library District

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FILL OUR STOCKING FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

The Library, the Foundation, and the Friends are all working together to raise funds for the library's construction project. The "Fill Our Stocking" campaign will run from Nov.-Jan. with a goal of raising \$25,000 in a 3-month period, and reviving awareness of and support for our overall Capital Campaign.



There are many ways to give:

- Make a year-end tax deductible donation to the Carthage District Library Foundation.
- Purchase tickets for the Friends Gift Basket Raffle.
- Purchase an engraved brick or paver.
- Share our Social Media posts for "Giving Tuesday" on Nov. 29, & the link to our GoFundMePage. <https://gofund.me/6f1d0467>.
- All donations received for book sale items will go directly to this campaign.
- The elementary school will be holding a coin drive between Thanksgiving and Christmas.
- Spread the word to all of your family members, friends, neighbors, and former residents and encourage them to give as well.

Gifts of any size are appreciated. Checks should be payable to the Carthage District Library Foundation. More information is on the Foundation's webpage: www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/library-foundation.html.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY GIFT BASKET FUNDRAISER

The Friends are seeking donations for our gift basket fundraiser. Please bring containers and items for baskets to the library ASAP. Complete baskets should be dropped off by Nov. 7.



Ben Franklin donated the basket pictured. We have also received a \$40 gift certificate to The Nail Bar, hair care products and a certificate for a free haircut from Maxine Smart, gift cards from Dairy Queen and Los Charros, and a certificate for two tickets to the Legacy Theater. Plans are underway for the following themed baskets: honey, reading, movie, pet care, car care, beauty/spa, chocolate, and more. We are grateful for all of the donations.

The completed baskets will be displayed at the Library and photos will be posted on the website and Facebook. Tickets cost \$2 each or 6 for \$10 and can be purchased at the Library or from Friends members from November 14 - December 14. Funds will go toward the Library's construction project, as part of the "Fill our Stocking" Campaign.

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, Friday, Nov. 11.

Early closing at 5:00 pm on Wed., Nov. 23

Closed Thanksgiving Day, Thurs., Nov. 24.



Book Club

Would you like to be part of a book discussion group? New members are always welcome, and an evening session could be added if there is enough interest.

Join us at 12:30 pm on Thurs., Nov. 10, to discuss The Downstairs Girl by Stacy Lee, a young adult historical fiction novel set in Atlanta in 1890.

You are welcome to attend even if you have not finished the book. Copies are available for checkout at the front desk.

For the December 8th gathering, read any Christmas or winter holiday book and come tell others about it.

BOOK SALE

The Library will hold a used book sale during the Shop Around the Block event Nov. 4-5.

The hours will be 11:00-5:00 on Friday and 9:00-4:00 on Saturday. All items are available for a free will donation.

Many sale items are available any time the library is open. Money received in Nov.-Jan. will be included in the Fill Our Stocking campaign for the new library building.



THANK YOU, Volunteers

Many thanks to everyone who volunteered to count patrons the week of Oct. 17. There were an average of 55 people entering the library each day, with a total of 333 for the week. This is a 52% increase from last year's total of 218. These numbers are needed for our annual report to the State Library.

The Friends are meeting Monday, Nov. 7 at 5:00 pm at the library to put together baskets for our raffle. Additional help would be welcome!

WEEKLY EVENTS



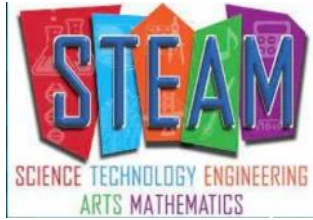
Rhythm and Movement Plus Storytime Joins Dinovember this month!

This program, for children 0-5 with a caregiver, is held on Tuesdays at 10:00 am. The first half hour features songs, dance, movement, and rhythm instruments, as well as stories and felt board activities. At 10:30 we continue with our "PLUS" activities. The first Tuesday of each month will be games. The second week will focus on sensory activities. Each third Tuesday we'll be painting, so wear paint clothes. The fourth week we'll be using the Hey Clay that was donated by County Market.

STEAM STORYTIME - is changing to Tuesdays!

Stories plus STEAM activities.

- Tuesdays at 3:30 – 4:30 pm
 - Ages 3 years -3rd grade.
(Pre-schoolers must be accompanied by an adult)
 - Snacks are provided.
- No pre-registration is required.



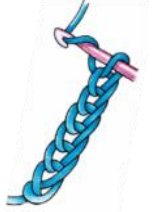
Coding Club is for students in 4th-6th grades. It meets on Thursdays at 3:30 pm. No prior experience is necessary, and the library provides laptops to use.

English Language Learners Group: Meets every Thursday at 5:30pm until Thanksgiving. This is for adults but children may attend with their parents.

MONTHLY EVENTS

Crocheting Group

Crochet group is for anyone 8 years of age and older who crochets or wants to learn. Knitters and embroiderers are also welcome.



Group meets at the library from 6:30-8:00 pm every other Tuesday; November dates are the 8th & 22nd. Bring your own project, or yarn and hooks are provided for learning & practicing.

READING CHALLENGES

Turn in your Fall Into Reading Challenge BINGO form by Nov. 10 to be entered in the prize drawing for Carthage Cash. Currently we have 9 entries.

The challenge for November & December is decorate the tree! Pick up a copy from the front desk and write in book names to fill the ornaments. Also available online. <https://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/uploads/4/2/6/0/42607329/>

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There are 60 children signed up for the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program! 13 children have read at least 100 books and 7 have read 400! Two have read 600. This is open to any child from birth to those entering kindergarten next fall. After registering please come in and have your child's picture taken and added to our 1000 Books wall. More information can be found on our website: www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/1000-books-before-kindergarten.html

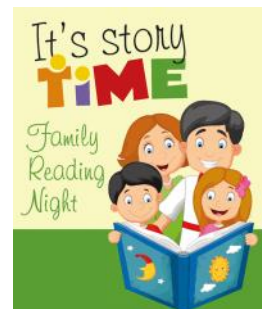
NOVEMBER ONLY

Art at the Library— November 8th there is no school so stop by the library at 1:00 pm for fall arts and crafts. Preschool, Elementary, and even Middle School students will have fun!

Food For Fines all month! Bring an item to donate to Food For Thoughts of Hancock County and erase \$1 worth of fines for overdue materials. Food For Thoughts of Hancock County sends food home over the weekend for kids in need. Items most needed are breakfast bars and other individually wrapped items.

Family Reading Night— Our activity will be November 15th at 7:00 pm. Come eat some bedtime snacks, and hear some bedtime stories. Free and open to the public. Don't forget to check out books! Feel free to bring a blanket to get comfy!

Community Game Night—Nov. 28th 6pm— This is for all community members! Come make new friends play new games or bring your favorite to share with someone else! Event will last two hours but you don't need to stay the whole time!



Book Ornament Contest— The library is looking for ornaments to decorate our tree this year. We are having a contest for all ages. Please bring your ornaments by December 3rd to be considered. Ornaments should be based on a book. There is a form to turn in with your submission! Winners receive Carthage Cash!

Volunteer Opportunities— The library is seeking volunteers to help put together baskets on Nov. 7th, and near the end of the month to decorate the library for the Christmas Open House. Please contact the library for more information.

Reminder STEAM is on Tuesdays this month!