

# Carthage Public Library District

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## FISH FRY FUNDRAISER



The Library Board of Trustees is holding a Fish Fry Fundraiser at the Carthage Eagles Club on Friday, October 13 from 4:30-7:00 pm. Dine in, carry out, and drive thru options are available. Serving fried fish, potato salad, baked beans, and dessert for a suggested donation of \$12 per dinner. Stop by before the IWHS football game vs West Hancock played here in Carthage.

**We need volunteers to help during the evening.** Please call the library if you are able to help. All proceeds will go to the new library construction project.

For other ways to contribute to the construction project, visit the Carthage District Library Foundation's webpage: [www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/library-foundation.html](http://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/library-foundation.html)



## Thanks to our Friends Group

National Friends of Libraries Week is October 15-21. The Friends play an important role in supporting the library. They help to promote the library and its services to the community, recruit volunteers for library activities, and conduct fundraisers to benefit the library.

### JOIN THE FRIENDS

We are currently seeking more individuals to serve as members-at-large for our executive board, which usually meets monthly. Current members are: Melita Finney, president; Linda Tobias, vice-president; Ann Thompson, secretary; Cheryl Underwood, treasurer; Linda Webb and Angie Perry, members-at-large. The next meeting will be Monday, October 9 at 6:15 pm at the Library.

You can also support the friends and be kept informed by completing a membership application and paying dues. The forms are available at the library or on the Friends' webpage: <https://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/friends-of-the-library.html>

### VOLUNTEER

In addition to help with the Fish Fry Fundraiser, the Friends will be recruiting volunteers for the library's annual patron count the week of October 16. It's very simple - just sit in the library and make a tally mark for each person who comes into the Library.

### GIFT BASKET RAFFLE



We are currently seeking donations for our 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. 1 or complete baskets by Nov. 8. Tickets will be on sale from Nov. 13-Dec. 13.



## 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**

## FREEDOM TO READ

Learn more about book challenges and support your **Freedom to Read with a Zoom event Oct. 2, 7:00 pm**. The panel for the webinar includes IL Secretary of State, Alexi Giannoulias and Jasmine Warga, children's book author. Register: [https://vapld.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_5JqN2Bt1RBOFsjQoWwNB7A](https://vapld.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_5JqN2Bt1RBOFsjQoWwNB7A) or come watch at the library.



Carthage Public Library is now a member of **Illinois Libraries Present**, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier virtual events. There are two programs in October. For each, you can join us at the library for a Watch Party, or register to watch the Zoom event and receive a link to view the recording at a later date.

**Chills and Thrills with horror author Stephen Graham Jones will be at 7:00 pm on Wed., Oct. 4.** Register: [https://bit.ly/ILP\\_StephenGrahamJones](https://bit.ly/ILP_StephenGrahamJones).

**"Food, Family, and Folktales: A Conversation with Grace Lin," is Tues., Oct. 17 at 7:00 pm.** Grace Lin is an author and illustrator of children's books. This session is appropriate for students in 2nd grade and older as well as for adults, so it would be a good family activity. Register: [https://bit.ly/ILP\\_GraceLin](https://bit.ly/ILP_GraceLin)

"A Taste of Love" with Maya-Camille Broussard (owner of Chicago based Justice of the Pies) will give a demonstration on Nov. 8.



## October is National Book Month.

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. For October 12 we are reading Dinner at the Homesick Restaurant by Anne Tyler. Copies of the book are available for checkout. The book for Nov. 9 will be Grace by Richard Paul Evans.

## 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.



**Banned Books Week Oct. 1-7.** Carthage Public Library is commemorating Banned Books Week! Stop by the library the week of Oct. 2 to view our displays and check out a frequently challenged book yourself. We will have a photo wall in the Teen vault for taking photos to post on your social media. Make sure to tag the library. On October 2nd at 3:30pm Tori will have a short presentation, open to all ages, about the way book bans have changed over the years. See page one for more information on the virtual event on October 2nd at 7:00 pm, organized by an Illinois Library.

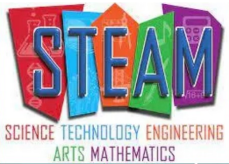
# WEEKLY EVENTS

## 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). Schedule for October is as follows.

Oct. 5, egg drop activity! Oct. 12, 19, 26. This group will be creating their own game and then playing it!

**TWEEN TIME—Will not meet Oct. 2.** This group, for 4th-6th graders meets on Mondays at 3:30 pm. We are hoping to make a short video this fall. Other activities this group is working on include a social story, and coding!

**TEEN ACTIVITIES** -- 7th & 8th grade students will meet October 3rd and 17th. 9th-12th grade students will meet October 10th and 24th. October is Teen-Tober -- a great time for teens to take over the library and make it their own.



## English Language Learners Group:

Adults and students 10 and older who wish to improve their English will now 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.

## Crocheting Group - 8 years thru Adult

This group meets every-other-Tuesday from 6:30-8:00 pm. Oct. 3 & 17 (skipping 31st), Nov. 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.



# October Only!

**MOVIE DAYS** (no school or early out days)

**Oct. 9 @10 am— Pooh's Heffalump Halloween Movie. Oct. 13 @12:30 pm Monsters University Oct. 20 @10 am— Trick or Treat Scooby Doo. Teen Only Movie Oct. 20 @ 2:00 pm The Addams Family Values . Pop-corn and a drink will be served at all movie days.**

**Teen-Tober:** October is a great time for teens to get involved with their local library! Make sure to attend the weekly teen programs and to sign up for our teen **Halloween Spectacular on Oct. 14 at 1:30 pm.** We will be making Barbies into Zombies, creating spooky snacks, and more! Ages 13+ .

Teens are also invited to help us pass out candy for Merchants Trick or Treat on Oct. 27 from 3-5pm

**Decorate a Paper Pumpkin!** We are having a paper pumpkin art display Oct. 21-31. You can pick up a paper pumpkin to decorate starting October 2nd. Pumpkins can be decorated however you wish, but we are requesting they relate to a book in some way. Please return pumpkins to the library by Oct. 21 so they can be displayed.

**All Ages! Make your own Halloween/Fall Decorations:** All day on Oct. 23 stop by the library to create a Halloween or fall decoration for your home. All materials provided!

**Merchant Trick or Treat:** The Carthage Public Library will be participating in Merchant trick or treat on Oct. 27 from 3-5pm! Stop by to say hello and show us your costumes.

**Have a program idea? Or want a library program offered at a different time? Let us know!**

<https://forms.gle/ENDX8X1yjaTUxnH69>

# Reading Challenges!

**October is National Book Month -- a great time to participate in a reading challenge!**

**READ IN COLOR:** You may judge a book by its cover for the Fall Independent Reading Challenge. In September and October participants of all ages read books with covers of various colors. You can download your copy of the form here: <https://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/adults.html> or pick one up at the library.

**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.



Sign up your 0-5 year-old for 1000 Books Before Kindergarten. Receive a free book, and rubber ducky for every 100 books read. In the last month one child Anna completed her 1000 book challenge, we had three children sign up for the program and three children made progress toward their 1000 books!