

**APRIL
2025**

ADULTS



NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK PATRON APPRECIATION DAY

**SATURDAY, APRIL 12
11:00AM-1:00PM @ MRRL PARK
HOT DOGS, GAMES & MUSIC**
Join us in the park as MRRL appreciates our patrons in a BIG way with a FREE hotdog lunch, BIG games, and music by *Those Guys* in the MRRL Park from 11am-1pm! In case of inclement weather, this event will be moved to the Art Gallery.



Author Visit



ADELLE WALDMAN

20TH ANNUAL
Capital

READ

2025

SPECIAL PROGRAMS ALL THROUGH APRIL!

BOOK DISCUSSIONS
GUEST SPEAKERS
& MORE!

LU-MRRL LECTURE SERIES: EMERGING FICTION WRITERS: LU'S CREATIVE WRITING STUDENTS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9 | 6:30-8:00PM | MRRL ART GALLERY



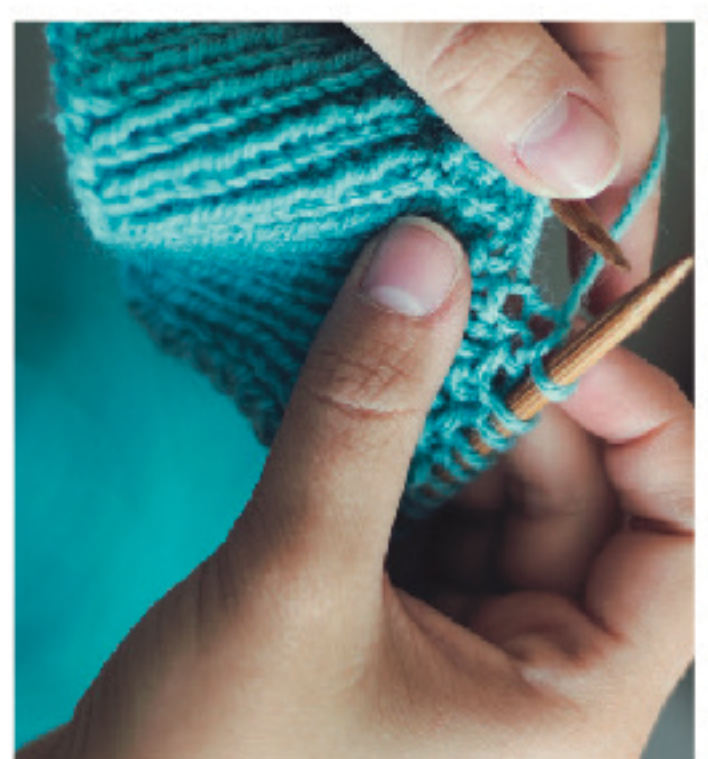
MURDER IN THE '50S

FRIDAY, APRIL 11 | 6:30 - 9:00PM | MRRL LIBRARY

Who killed Jessie Ashford?

THE LIBRARY WILL BE
CLOSED FOR EASTER
SUNDAY, APRIL 20TH

Programs for adults at the Missouri River Regional Library



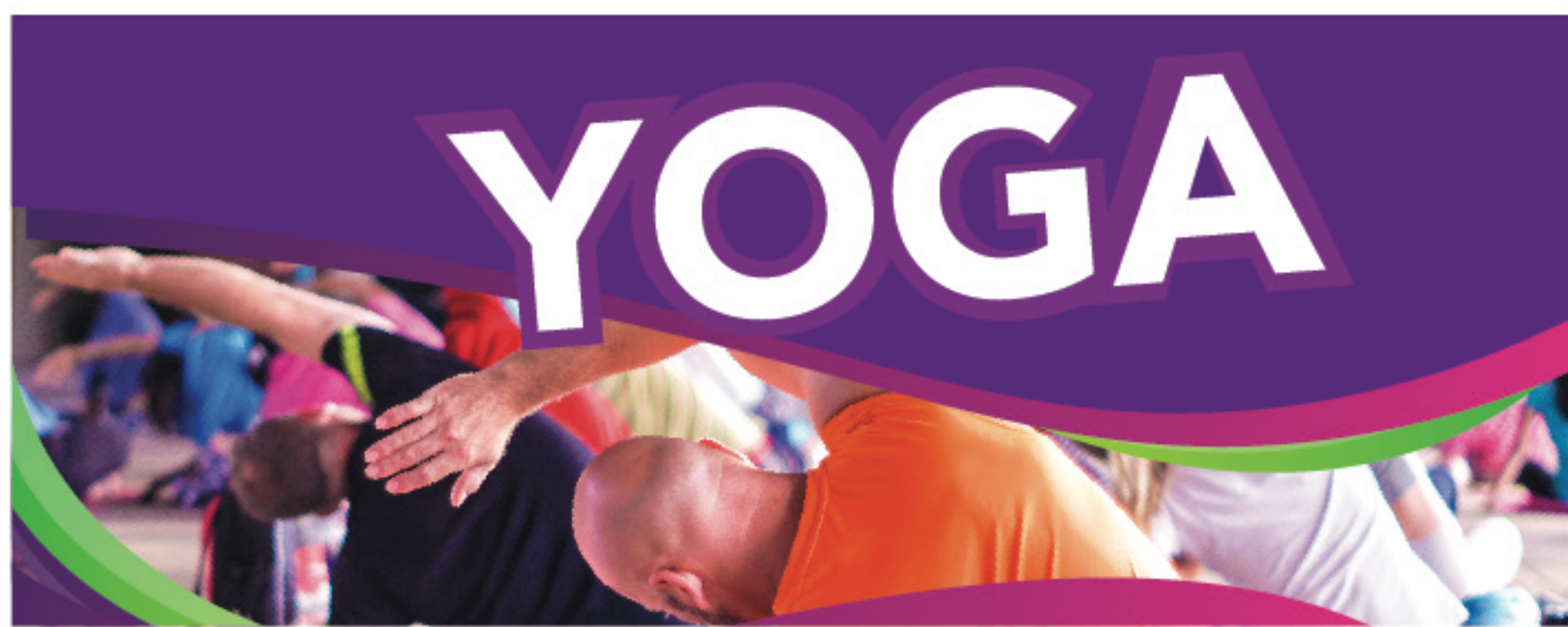
KNITTING & CROCHETING AT MISSOURI RIVER REGIONAL LIBRARY

KNITTING & CROCHETING @ MRRL

Tuesday, April 1

6:00-7:45 p.m. | Truman Room

Knit and crochet with us! Ages 12 & up.



YOGA

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Wednesdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

5:15-6:15 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

Thursdays, April 3, 10, 17 & 24

9:30-10:30 a.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

Rejuvenate your mind and body. All shapes, sizes, and abilities are welcome. Drop-ins welcome.



Shelf Indulgence Book Club

SHELF INDULGENCE

Wednesday, April 2

6:00-7:30 p.m. | Truman Room

Looking for avid readers and stimulating conversation? You've found us! Indulge yourself and dig into some great literature with other book lovers. In April we are discussing *The People We Keep* by Allison Larkin and *My Lady's Choosing* by Kitty Curran and Larissa Zageris.



Social Bridge Club

SOCIAL BRIDGE CLUB

Thursdays

1:00-3:30 p.m. | Truman Room

Join us for some fun and friendly Bridge gameplay. All skill levels and new players welcome.



UKULELE JAM SESSION

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Thursday, April 3 & 17

6:15-7:45 p.m. | Truman Room

Spend some time having fun and making music. Regardless of your experience, bring a ukulele and join the group!



GENEALOGY HELP SESSIONS

Thursdays, April 3, 10, 17 & 24

1:00-4:00 p.m. | Mark Twain Room

Saturdays, April 5 & 19

1:00-4:00 p.m. | Mark Twain Room

Genealogist Laura Loyborg hosts genealogy help sessions each Thursday, from 1-4 p.m. in the Mark Twain room; no registration is required for this group class. There will be a lesson, Q&A time, handouts, and individually-assisted research help.

In addition, 1-hour sessions, beginning at 1, 2, and 3 p.m. are offered on the first and third Saturdays of each month. Email Laura at familyisworldhistory@yahoo.com to secure an appointment for one-on-one help with your family tree. Your request for an appointment time must be emailed no later than the Wednesday prior to the Saturday class and a return email from Laura will secure your time choice. If no reservations are made by Wednesday night, no Saturday classes will be held.



FIRST FRIDAY FILM

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Friday, April 4

7:00-9:00 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

Based on the graphic novel of the same name, this World War II drama stars Helen Mirren, who recounts her story of survival in Nazi-occupied France and an act of kindness that echoes through the ages.



MUSIC AT THE LIBRARY: JEREMY FACKNITZ

Sunday, April 6

3:30-4:45 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

Jeremy Facknitz has received an Empower Music Award and a Posi Award among many other recognitions for his folk-rock, jazz-infused original songs. The Colorado songwriter/artist is on a "Wildcards" tour throughout the Midwest.



FREE FOR ALL: The Public Library

FREE FOR ALL: INSIDE THE PUBLIC LIBRARY, A DOCUMENTARY FILM

Monday, April 7

6:00-7:45 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

In partnership with PBS station KMOS, this film highlights the quiet revolutionaries who made a simple idea happen. From the "Free Library Movement" to today's library workers who serve the public despite working in an age of book bans, meet those who created an institution where everything is free and the doors are open to all.



JUNK JOURNALING

Tuesday, April 8

6:00-7:30 p.m. | Mark Twain Room

Join us for our Junk Journaling Group! Each month, Alexandria A., a local Junk Journaling Pro, will show us a new technique and then we'll get to incorporate it in our junk journaling time! This month we will be making artist trading cards.

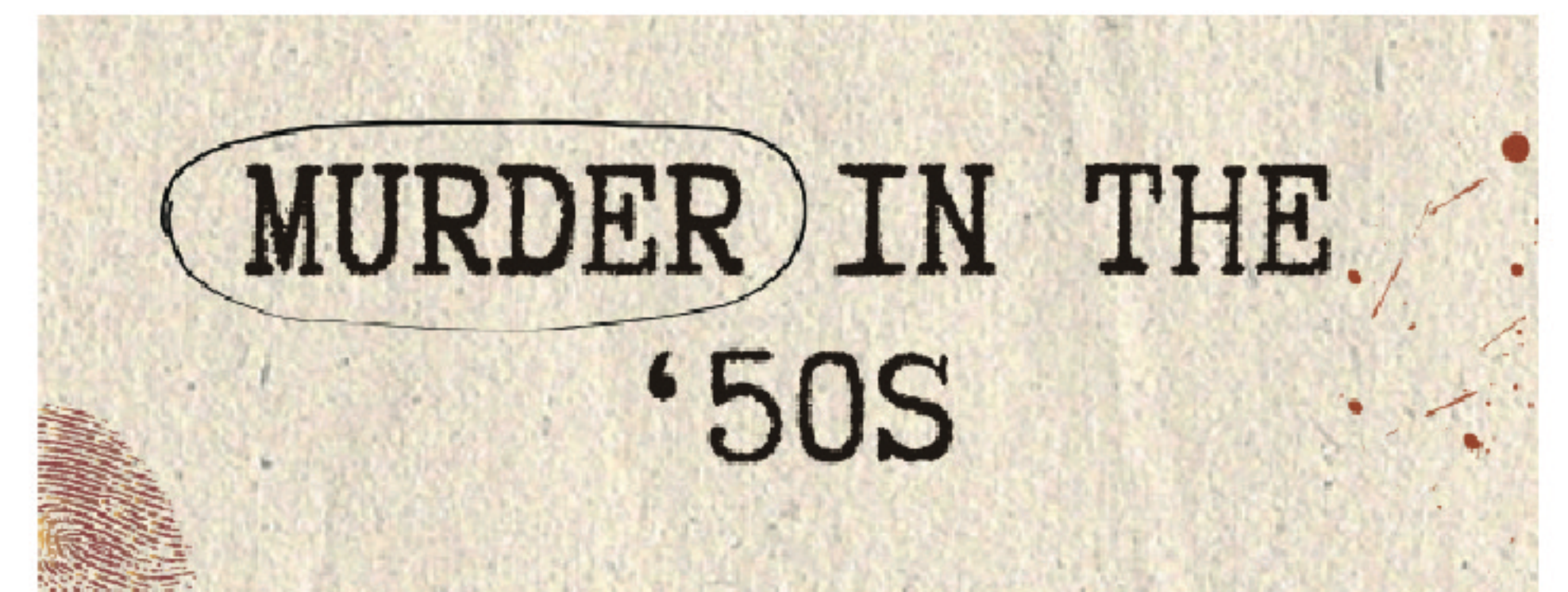


LU-MRRL LECTURE SERIES: Emerging Fiction Writers: LU's Creative Writing Students

Wednesday, April 9

6:30-8:00 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

The creative voices of Lincoln University's next generation of fiction writers will take center stage during a public reading sharing excerpts from their original works under the guidance of novelist and assistant professor of English, Daren Dean.



MURDER IN THE '50S

Friday, April 11

6:30-9:00 p.m. | MRRL Library

The teens of Winter Springs were all abuzz - it was the night of the Sock Hop! But when prized student Jessie Ashford is found dead at Lovers' Lane, the teens around town are rounded up and brought to the school dance to discover who had the motive, means and opportunity to kill her! Who killed her? Why? And where was everyone in the town at the time of her murder? Registration required.



VACCINATIONS: INFORMATION ABOUT VACCINES AND THE DISEASES THEY PREVENT PRESENTED IN PLAIN LANGUAGE FOR REAL PEOPLE AND FAMILIES.

Thursday, April 17

6:30-8:00 p.m. | Mark Twain Room

Local pediatrician, Dr. Brian Conley, will give an informational program on vaccines geared for parents and guardians. Please be sure to bring your questions. There will be plenty of time for Q & A.



QUARTERLY JOB SEARCH THURSDAYS

Thursday, April 17

11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

The Capital City Job Center in Jefferson City, in partnership with the Missouri River Regional Library, hosts Job Search Thursdays once a quarter. This hiring event offers both employers and job seekers the opportunity to connect and do on-the-spot interviews.



ZERO PROOF MIXOLOGY

Thursday, April 17

6:30-7:30 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

Spring and summer are on the way, and those outdoor BBQ's will be here before you know it! Allie is back to show us how to make some drinks that are sure to make you the host(ess) with the most(est) at your next get-together! Registration required.



LOOSELY BOUND BOOK CLUB

Monday, April 21

6:00-7:30 p.m. | Mark Twain Room

Looking for your next great read? Instead of reading the same book each month, members read a book of their own choice related to the theme of the month. The theme for April is *It's an Animal's Point of View*. We can't wait to hear what you read! Ages 18 and up.



MINIATURE PAINTING

Tuesday, April 22

6:00-7:00 p.m. | Truman Room

Come paint your own miniature figure perfect for your favorite Table Top Game character(s)! All supplies will be provided. However, feel free to bring your own miniature if you have one you want to paint. Registration required.



CENTRAL MISSOURI MASTER GARDENERS PRESENTS

Tuesday, April 22

6:00-7:30 p.m. | CMMG Greenhouse in North JC

Central Missouri Master Gardeners presents a monthly educational lecture on a variety of horticulture and gardening related topics. Join the Master Gardeners for a tour of the CMMG Greenhouses in North Jefferson City and how we transition from winter to growing plants for the annual plant sale. We will also educate members on how to prepare plants for donation to the sale.



TIK TOK MADE ME READ IT

Monday, April 28

6:00-7:30 p.m. | Mark Twain Room

Connect with fellow readers in this book club focused on all the trending reads on TikTok. This month's book is *Once Upon a Broken Heart* by Stephanie Garber. A free copy will be given to the first 8 people.



PAINT (AND SWAP) PARTY

Tuesday, April 29

1:00-2:30 p.m. | Truman Room

6:00-7:30 p.m. | Truman Room

Grab a friend or loved one and join us for a Paint (and Swap) Party! We'll each start off with a canvas, then every ten minutes you'll swap with the person across from you (that friend you brought along!). At the end, you both will have a meaningful painting that you created together. If you come alone, no worries! We'll pair you up with someone to paint with! Registration required for both individuals.



BOOK DISCUSSIONS

April 16 | 2:00-4:00PM MRRL Art Gallery

April 21 | 2:00-4:00PM MRRL Art Gallery

UNBOXED

Monday, April 14

2:15-4:15 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

If you've ever worked at a big-box store, we'd love to hear your stories as part of the library's 2025 Capital READ program. What was most important in your time in that store? Did your work there help with your future job prospects or career? Was it a memorable time in your life and why? Registration required.

JOBS WITH JUSTICE

Monday, April 21

6:30-8:00 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

Drew Amidei from Missouri Jobs with Justice will discuss what solidarity means and how community members can support and show up powerfully for low-wage workers in today's economy.

THOUGHTS ON OUR CHANGING ECONOMY

Wednesday, April 23

6:30-8:00 p.m. | MRRL Art Gallery

Dr. Darius E. Watson will share his thoughts and observations on the conflicts and confusion of today's economy and their effects on workers. He is assistant provost for academic innovation, outreach and research at Lincoln University. His doctorate is in international relations, and he has a wide-ranging background in international relations, public policy and political science.

20TH CAPITAL READ AUTHOR EVENT: ADELLE WALDMAN

Tuesday, April 29

6:30-8:00 p.m. | Truman Room

Adelle Waldman will discuss the writing of *Help Wanted*, which follows a team of low-wage workers at an unnamed big-box store in a rural community. It's a work environment Waldman experienced herself when she moved from Brooklyn to a small New York city. By turns comic and tragic, the characters are relatable and exemplify working conditions faced by a large number of U.S. workers in today's economy. The novel was named best book of the year by *The New Yorker* and *The Economist*, an editors' choice by *The New York Times Book Review*, and a "must-read" by *Time*, *Booklist* and a host of other publications. Her book will be available for sale and signing after the presentation.

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<p>Sign up for weekly UPDATES at www.mrrl.org</p> 	<p>Cole County 4-H Art Show 4/1 - 4/30</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Preschool Storytime 10:30-11:00AM</p> <p>How To Delete Yourself From The Internet 1:00-2:30PM </p> <p>Knitting & Crocheting @ MRRL 6:00-7:45PM</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Tech Time 10:00AM-12:00PM</p> <p>Family Story Time 10:30-11:30AM</p> <p>Yoga 5:15-6:15PM</p> <p>Shelf Indulgence Book Club 6:00-7:30PM</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Yoga 9:30-10:30AM</p> <p>Social Bridge Club 1:00-3:30PM</p> <p>Genealogy Help Sessions 1:00-4:00PM </p> <p>Organizing Your Computer Files 5:30-7:00PM </p> <p>Ukulele Jam Session 6:15-7:45PM</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Rhyme Time 9:30-10:00AM, 10:15-10:45AM, & 11:00-11:30AM</p> <p>First Friday Film: White Bird 7:00-9:00PM</p>	<p>5</p> <p>One-on-One Genealogy Help Sessions 1:00-4:00PM </p>
<p>6</p>  <p>Journaling for Joy 2:00-3:00PM </p> <p>Music @ The Library: Jeremy Facknitz 3:30-4:45PM</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Lego Block Party 6:00-7:00PM</p> <p>Free For All: Inside The Public Library, A Documentary Film Screening 6:00-7:45PM</p> <p>Pizza & Pages 6:45-7:45PM </p>	<p>8</p> <p>Preschool Storytime 10:30-11:00AM</p> <p>Junk Journaling 6:00-7:30PM</p> <p>Novel Ideas 6:45-7:45PM </p> <p>LU-MRRL Lecture Series: Emerging Fiction Writers: LU's Creative Writing Students 6:30-8:00PM</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Family Story Time 10:30-11:30AM</p> <p>Tail Waggin' Tutors 11:00AM-12:00PM</p> <p>Microsoft Word For Beginners 3:00-4:30PM </p> <p>Yoga 5:15-6:15PM</p> <p>Evening Family Storytime 6:00-6:30PM</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Yoga 9:30-10:30AM</p> <p>Social Bridge Club 1:00-3:30PM</p> <p>Genealogy Help Sessions 1:00-4:00PM </p> <p>Bookmobile @ Wardsville 4:00-6:00PM</p> <p>Dungeons & Dragons 6:00-9:00PM</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Sensory Play Day 10:15-11:00AM</p> <p>Murder In The 50s 6:30-9:00PM </p>	<p>12</p> <p>NLW: PATRON APPRECIATION DAY 11:00 AM-1:00PM</p>
<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Teen Art Club 5:30-7:00PM</p> <p>Family Book Bingo 6:00-7:00PM</p> <p>Unboxed: Capital READ 2:15-4:15PM </p>	<p>15</p> <p>Speeding Up Your PC 10:00-11:15AM </p> <p>Preschool Storytime 10:30-11:00AM</p> <p>Teen Fairy Party 6:00-7:30PM </p> <p>Kids STEAM Night: Code And Go Robot Mice 6:00-7:00PM </p>	<p>16</p> <p>Family Story Time 10:30-11:30AM</p> <p>Yoga 5:15-6:15PM</p> <p>Kids STEAM Night: Balloon-Powered Cars 6:00-7:00PM</p> <p>Capital READ Book Discussion 2:00-4:00PM </p>	<p>17</p> <p>Yoga 9:30-10:30AM</p> <p>Social Bridge Club 1:00-3:30PM</p> <p>Quarterly Job Search Thursday 11:00AM-1:00PM</p> <p>Teen Anime Club 4:30-6:00PM</p> <p>Ukulele Jam Session 6:15-7:45PM</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Rhyme Time 9:30-10:00AM, 10:15-10:45AM, & 11:00-11:30AM</p> <p>Navigating Our Newspaper Databases 10:00-11:15AM </p> <p>Tween Portable Portals 4:30-5:30PM </p>	<p>19</p> <p>One-on-One Genealogy Help Sessions 1:00-4:00PM </p> <p>Teen After-Hours 6:00-8:30PM </p> <p>Genealogy Help Sessions 1:00-4:00PM </p> <p>Zero-Proof Mixology 6:30-7:30PM </p>
<p>20</p> <p>CLOSED Easter</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Minecraft Monday 5:00-6:15PM </p> <p>Capital READ Book Discussion 2:00-4:00PM </p> <p>Loosely Bound Book Club 6:00-7:30PM</p> <p>Capital READ: Jobs With Justice 6:30-8:00PM</p>	<p>22</p> <p>EARTH DAY</p> <p>Preschool Storytime 10:30-11:00AM</p> <p>Tech Time 10:00AM-12:00PM</p> <p>Miniature Painting 6:00-7:00PM </p> <p>Central Missouri Master Gardeners Presents 6:00-7:30PM</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Family Story Time 10:30-11:30AM</p> <p>Tail Waggin' Tutors 11:00AM-12:00PM</p> <p>Bookmobile @ The Capital Mall 12:00-1:30PM</p> <p>Yoga 5:15-6:15PM</p> <p>Teen Frankenstiffies 6:00-7:30PM </p>	<p>24</p> <p>Yoga 9:30-10:30AM</p> <p>Social Bridge Club 1:00-3:30PM</p> <p>Genealogy Help Sessions 1:00-4:00PM </p> <p>Dungeons & Dragons 6:00-9:00PM</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Coding 101 With Fiero Code 10:00-11:30AM </p> <p>Family Movie Night: Sonic the Hedgehog 3 (PG) 6:00-8:00PM</p> <p>Capital READ: Thoughts On Our Changing Economy 6:30-8:00PM</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Information About Vaccines And The Diseases They Prevent Presented In Plain Language For Real People And Families 6:30-8:00PM</p> <p>Pokémon Card Playing Day 11:00AM-12:30PM</p>
<p>27</p> <p>Cole County 4-H Art Show 4/26 @ 1:30 - 4/27 @ 4:30PM</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Kids After School: Bristle Bots 4:00-5:00PM</p> <p>Chess Club 6:00-7:30PM</p> <p>TikTok Made Me Read It 6:00-7:30PM</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Preschool Storytime 10:30-11:00AM</p> <p>Paint (& Swap) Party 1:00-2:30PM & 6:00-7:30PM </p> <p>20th Capital READ Author Event: Adelle Waldman 6:30-8:00PM</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Family Story Time 10:30-11:30AM</p> <p>Yoga 5:15-6:15PM</p>	<p> (573) 634-2464</p> <p> www.mrrl.org</p> <p> Follow the Missouri River Regional Library on Facebook and Instagram!</p> <p></p> <p>KEY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  Adults  Computer  Kids  Teens  Tweens  Outreach  Registration Required 		