Minutes have been sent to the following:

N. McFarland – Youth Commissioner*  
S. Anderson – Youth Commissioner*  
J. Diorio – Youth Commissioner*  
C. Hime – Youth Commissioner*  
D. Kelly – Youth Commissioner*  
S. Schwerdtfeger – Youth Commissioner*  
L. Vitek – Youth Commissioner*  
M. Weick – Youth Commissioner*  
J. Wong – Youth Commissioner*  
C. Waibel – Youth Commissioner*  
B. Tynan, STC PD  
J. Keegan, Chief of Police  
R. Rogina, Mayor  
STC Aldermen  
M. Koenen, City Administrator  
L. O'Brien, CUSD 303  
A. Christenson, STC NHS  
C. Mendez, TriCity  
S. O'Brien, TriCity  
K. Horn, TriCity  
L. Dandre, STC EHS  
P. Jensen, Haines M.S.  
D. Schloemann, Superintendent CUSD 303  
S. Morrill, Wrelding M.S.  
J. Otepka, TriCity  
J. Anderson, STC Township  
C. Blake, TriCity  
C. Kyle, STC EHS  
J. Baird, CUSD 303  
T. Loversky, Thompson M.S.  
H. Kincaid, STC NHS  
E. Baxter, STC Library  
J. Bruggeman, STC Park District*  
D. Procaccio, STC Underground  
M. Karson, STC EHS  
M. Backer, CUSD303  
J. Greenwald, STC Park District  
A. Schuett, CUSD 303*  
K. Hood, TriCity  
P. Yensen, United Way  
S. Urban, TriCity

*Attended meeting.

I. Meeting called to order @ 6:04 p.m.

II. Secretary's Report – Dan Kelly
   A. Approval of the minutes from the June 2016 meeting. Motion to approve carried.

III. Treasurer's Report – Cliff Hime
   A. Report attached; current balance is $10,675.

IV. Correspondence
   A. St. Charles Public Library, attached;
   B. Summer Soccer camp, attached.

V. Presentations – none

VI. Liaison Reports
   A. D303 – Aubree Schuett
      i. Update on start of school year and some new programs.

   B. Park District – Jennifer Bruggeman
      i. STC Underground report, attached;
ii. Update on back to school programs, attached.

C. **Police Department** – Absent

D. **Library Programs** – Marianne Weick and Brandon Buckley

i. Update on youth programs, attached;
ii. Latest newsletter (September – November 2016), attached;
iii. Update on “Anime Club.”

E. **Tri-City Family Services** – Absent

VII. **Old Business** – None

VIII. **New Business**

A. 2016/17 Youth Commission Grant Application

i. Last year’s challenge grant proposal, attached;
ii. Discussed concept of eliminating “challenge grant” and making application more of a rolling concept.
iii. Discussed requiring “PR” as a requirement for receiving funding from the Youth Commission. For example: “partial funding for this endeavor has been provided by the St. Charles Youth Commission. All youth service projects are encouraged to apply for funding.”
iv. Discussed creating a Youth Commission flyer listing previous Youth Commission funded projects.

v. Discussed eliminating the timeline requirement for the application. There is concern regarding missing out on city council check presentation – is there a PR opportunity there?
vi. Suggestion to add to the application verbiage regarding the timeline and when the funding will be dispensed.

vii. Change “grant application” to “funding application.”

viii. Remove some lines on the top of the page.
ix. Edited application form enclosed.
x. Motion to amend grant application to read as “application for funding” carried.

IX. **Announcements** – None

X. **Public Comment** – None

XI. **Adjournment**

A. Motion to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. carried.

*The next Youth Commission meeting will be Monday, October 3, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the St. Charles Police Department Riverside Conference Room located at 211 N. Riverside Avenue.*

Minutes respectfully submitted,
Dan Kelly, Youth Commissioner
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June 10, 2016

St. Charles Youth Commission
Nancy McFarland
2 E. Main Street
St. Charles, IL 60174

Dear Nancy McFarland:

Once again we are delighted to include St. Charles Youth Commission as a sponsor of our 2016 Summer Reading Program. We anticipate approximately 2,500 readers of all ages will participate! Thank you so much for providing a $1,400 donation towards Got To Go Read Summer Reading t-shirts.

The success of our summer reading program would not be possible without the support of local businesses. Your involvement is a key element in our efforts to encourage and promote the joy of reading in our community. Your support has been acknowledged in our newsletter, Discover Your Library (mailed to 25,500 households), as well as on the Library website, in our lobby, on TV screens throughout the Library, at our Book Club desks and in email announcements to our patrons.

We are thankful to be able to count St. Charles Youth Commission as a partner and friend of the St. Charles Public Library. Enclosed is a laminated sign you may display to publicize your sponsorship. Thank you again for your generosity!

Sincerely,

Marianne Weick
Young Adult Librarian
St. Charles Public Library
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The Lie Tree
by Frances Hardinge • YA FIC HARDINGE

Guile
by Constance Cooper • YA FIC COOPER

Saving Montgomery Sole
by Mariko Tamaki • YA FIC TAMAKI

Nonfiction:

Grunt: The Curious Science of Humans at War
by Mary Roach • 355.07 ROA

Turning Japanese
by Mari Naomi • 741.5 MAR

The Gamer’s Bucket List: The 50 Video Games to Play Before You Die
by Chris Watters • 794.8 WAT

Bookmarked: Teen Essays of Life and Literature From Tolkein to Twilight
by Ann Camacho • 814.6 BOO

The Story of Emoji
by Gavin Lucas • 818.61 LUC

At the Library
Things to Do

Anime Club
Join us each month and geek out to anime and manga. Watch Crunchyroll, eat Japanese snacks, play video and board games, draw and craft. We meet the second Tuesday of the month.

Nintendo+
Stop by and play Nintendo consoles! Choose from NES, Super Nintendo, Nintendo 64, GameCube, Wii and Wii U. Maybe a random Mario Kart or Smash Bros. tournament will break out. We'll also be working on installing RetroPie to emulate games on a Raspberry Pi. If you have any rare games or equipment, bring them in and show them off!

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Optimal Resume
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Books:
The Fiske Guide to Colleges
378 FIS 2017

The College Board College Handbook
378 COL 2017

The College Board Book of Majors
378.199 COL 2017

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378.198 NIS

Getting Financial Aid
378.3 GET 2017

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Young Adult
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One South Sixth Avenue
St. Charles IL 60174
630-584-0076
www.stcharleslibrary.org

www.stcharleslibrary.org/articles-databases

This sampling of databases provide trusted content from a wide variety of sources. A St. Charles Library card and PIN are necessary for access outside of the Library.
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Youth Services: Here, There and Everywhere in Our Community

When you think of Youth Services, you probably envision the aquarium, Literacy Lane, tons of books, Playaways, video games, caring librarians with great answers and lots of programs. But we’re here, there and everywhere, not just in the Library! Did you know that we offered 968 programs for youth last year and 314 of them were outside the library? Youth Services Manager, A. Denise Farrugia said her department adheres to one guiding principal, “We serve every group that serves kids.”

Parents coming in to the Library are sometimes surprised when their preschool children greet the librarians and call them by name. They know us because we present almost 30 story times in early childhood classrooms and daycare centers per month during the school year.

Other activities in the community include:
- Elementary and middle school visits providing storytelling, library workshops, Literacy Nights, book talks, services at back-to-school evenings, book fairs and more
- Partnering with the Forest Preserve of Kane County and St. Charles Park District to offer literature-based and storytelling programs like October’s Scary Stories and November’s Reading Gone Wild
- In Life Skills classes offering programming for youth with special needs
- Workshops for Boy and Girl Scout groups
- Partnering with the Chamber of Commerce, the City of St. Charles, CUSD #303 and the St. Charles Park District to present the Early Childhood Resource Fair
- Offering outreach services to organizations serving youth such as the Fox Valley Special Recreation Association and the Salvation Army

We also assist educators by compiling teacher loan bags filled with items for classrooms, from preschools to the Juvenile Justice Center—155 loans last year!

For adults, we offer a variety of educational and practical workshops and forums to assist parents, such as:
- **The Homeschool Workshop** on August 30 which provides an overview of the resources homeschooling families can access from the Library
- **The Every Child Ready to Read Workshop** on August 31 teaches the practical ways adults can help develop early literacy skills in kids from birth until they begin school
- **The Preschool Forum** on November 3 provides parents the chance to get an overview of the preschools in the community from preschool directors

We love the kids in our community and the adults who guide them. To learn more about how to bring the Youth Services department to your school or organization, send an email to adfarrugia@stcharleslibrary.org or call 630-584-0076 ext. 236. Youth Services...we’re here, there and everywhere!

Youth Services School Coordinator Michele Collette as mascot Joe Cool visits Davis Primary School during Library Card Sign-up Month.
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What the Staff Is Reading

**Library of Souls** by Ransom Riggs  •  FIC RIGGS
Adults and teens have enjoyed the Miss Peregrine series by Ransom Riggs. This is the final book in the trilogy and has great villains, creepy monsters, and a wild/exciting/fantastical/epic conclusion. It's listed as "paranormal fiction," but it seems more like fantasy along the lines of some of Neil Gaiman's writing.

**The Kept** by James Scott  •  FIC SCOTT
The bonds between a mother and son are tested in the wake of a brutal tragedy in this historical novel that takes place in the early 19th century in upstate New York. Deeply atmospheric, with finely-drawn characters that will linger in your memory long after the last sentence has been read.

**Passage** by Connie Willis  •  FIC WILLIS
A unique combination of paranormal, speculative fiction, and medical thriller elements that is utterly absorbing from the first chapter onward. The ending may leave you surprised and wondering, but this may be Willis' intention. This would be a perfect fictional companion to Mary Roach's book *Spook: Science Tackles the Afterlife*.

**Scapegoat: A History of Blaming Other People** by Charlie Campbell  •  158.2 CAM
By turns hilarious and horrifying, this illuminating small book moves effortlessly from biblical times to modern society and shows us how our capacity for pinning the blame on others has changed remarkably little over the centuries. In fact, the Internet seems custom made to help spread dubious facts and apportion blame. It's also full of weird facts that you can impress your friends with at parties—and you'll never hear the phrase "mistakes were made" in the same way again.

**The Girls of Atomic City: The Untold Story of the Women Who Helped Win World War II** by Denise Kieman  •  940.53082 KIE
Set in the mountains of Oak Ridge, TN, the women who work at Site X perform a job that was never explained to them, in a newly-created city not found on any map at the time. The story follows the women from their arrival through the release of the atomic bomb and beyond. Enrico Fermi is mentioned frequently throughout and a trip to Fermilab would be a cool follow-up trip after completing the book. A fascinating read, even for non-scientists!

**Forgotten Bones** by Lois Miner Huey  •  J 306.282 HUE

For more, see our "Staff Picks" blog.

Register for Adult Programs
online at events.stcharleslibrary.org/evanced/lib/eventcalendar.asp,
at the Reference Desk or by calling 630-584-0076 ext. 1.

**Cubs 100:**
A Century at Wrigley

Tuesday, September 6  •  7:00 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room

The Chicago Cubs have called Wrigley Field their home since 1916 and have treated their loyal followers with memories that have lasted for generations. Authors Dan Campana and Rob Carroll will present a new collection of baseball tales, including highlights from the exciting 2015 season, from storytellers such as Ryne Sandberg, Andre Dawson, Len Kasper and many others who know the symbiotic connection between the historic franchise and its iconic home. Copies of the book will be available to purchase. REGISTER

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**Monthly Introductory Computer Classes**

**Notes:**
- Classes are open to St. Charles Public Library cardholders only.
- A $10 refundable cash deposit is required at the time of registration.
- REGISTER at the Adult Reference Desk.
- Class size is limited to 10 people.
- Class cancellations will be posted in the Library and on our website.

For complete class descriptions, please visit the Reference Desk or our website: www.stcharleslibrary.org/computer-classes
Successful completion of Computer & Internet Basics is a prerequisite for all other computer classes offered OR ask at the Reference Desk for our checklist to see if you are confident enough with basic computer skills to skip this requirement.

**September registration begins Sunday, August 21 at noon**

**Computer & Internet Basics**
Tuesday, September 6  •  6:30–8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, September 7  •  6:30–8:30 p.m.

**Overview of Windows 10**
Tuesday, September 13  •  6:30–8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, September 14  •  6:30–8:30 p.m.

**Apps of Windows 10**
Monday, September 19  •  6:30–8:30 p.m.

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EVENTS FOR ADULTS

Introduction to MS Word 2013
Tuesday, September 20 • 6:30–8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, September 21 • 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Overview of Windows 10
Thursday, September 22 • 6:30–8:30 p.m.
Thursday, September 29 • 6:30–8:30 p.m.

October registration begins Sunday, September 18 at noon

iPad / iPhone for Beginners
Monday, October 3 • 6:00–8:00 p.m.
Tuesday, October 4 • 6:00–8:00 p.m.

Android for Beginners
Wednesday, October 5 • 6:00–8:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 6 • 6:00–8:00 p.m.

Overview of Windows 10
Tuesday, October 11 • 6:30–8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, October 12 • 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Introduction to MS Powerpoint 2013
Monday, October 17 • 6:30–8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, October 18 • 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Introduction to MS Excel 2013; Level 1
Wednesday, October 19 • 6:30–8:30 p.m.
Thursday, October 20 • 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Introduction to MS Excel 2013; Level 2
Wednesday, October 26 • 6:30–8:30 p.m.
Thursday, October 27 • 6:30–8:30 p.m.

January registration begins Sunday, December 18 at noon

LinkedIn 101
Thursday, November 17 • 6:00–8:00 p.m.

Back Up Your Data
Monday, November 21 • 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Small Business Programs

The Dos and Don'ts of Building a LinkedIn Profile
Thursday, September 8 • 6:30–8:00 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room
LinkedIn is the world's largest professional network with hundreds of millions of members, and growing rapidly. By joining this social network, you'll get access to business professionals, job openings, company profiles, news, updates and insights. Business consultant and LinkedIn expert Bruce Bixler, will show you how to create a professional and marketable profile that sets you, your products and services, apart from the competition. Learn how to take control of your digital presence. REGISTER

Meet Intercept! A New Business Plan Electronic Resource
Tuesday, October 11 • 6:30–8:00 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room
The creators of Intercept, a premiere business planning and financial modeling tool for entrepreneurs and startups, will demonstrate this sophisticated program to help you develop your own business plan. Mark and Matt Quigley will demonstrate how Intercept prompts users to analyze expenses, marketing, financing and potential customers before they launch a new venture. Bring your laptop and you can start your own Intercept business plan during the program. REGISTER

Develop Your Elevator Pitch
Wednesday, November 2 • 6:30–8:00 p.m.
Huntley Meeting Room
An elevator pitch (a.k.a. elevator speech) is a brief, persuasive speech that you use to spark interest in your company, organization, project, idea, product—or in yourself. It should be interesting, memorable and succinct. SCORE mentor Gus Ferracane will bring his extensive and diverse business background and experience to bear on this essential business tool. Come prepared with your current elevator pitch and leave with templates for your new one. REGISTER
St. Charles Writers Group

Saturdays • 9:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

The St. Charles Writers Group is a workshop for writers 18 years and over that meets the second Saturday of each month. There is no fee for membership. Facilitator is Richard Holinger. Questions? Contact Denise Blaszynski at 630-584-0076, ext. 240. DROP IN

September 10 – Discussion: “My Side of the Matter” by Truman Capote • Huntley Meeting Room

October 8 – Inviting the Reader in: Beginnings
• Huntley Meeting Room

November 12 – Studying Points of View from Different Angles
• Carnegie Community Room

2nd Tuesday Book Discussion

The Library offers two book discussion groups: Mornings at 10:00 a.m. and Evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Bisbee Conference Room DROP IN

September 13

Morning
$2.00 a Day: Living on Almost Nothing in America
by Kathryn J. Edin • 339.46 EDI

Evening
Running the Rift
by Naomi Benaron • FIC BENARON

October 11

Morning & Evening
The Haunting of Hill House
by Shirley Jackson • FIC JACKSON

November 8

Morning & Evening
Reclaiming Conversation: The Power of Talk in a Digital Age
by Sherry Turkle • 302.231 TUR

Great Decisions

Thursdays • 7:00 p.m.

Great Decisions is America’s largest discussion program on world affairs. The Great Decision discussion group is intended to stimulate a discussion of foreign policy issues. Participants may check out a copy of the briefing book at the Library. You should be ready to discuss the article prior to participation. DROP IN

September 15 – The Koreas • Carnegie Community Room
October 20 – The United Nations • Carnegie Community Room
November 17 – Climate Change • Huntley Meeting Room

The Science of The Martian

Tuesday, September 20 • 7:00 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room

The movie The Martian incorporated major input from NASA and Mars exploration scientists to bring realism to depictions of living, working and exploring Mars. What did the movie get right...or wrong? Michelle Nichols from Adler Planetarium will bring you to the Red Planet and highlight technological advancements that you may see in real missions to Mars in the future. REGISTER

Board Game Nights

Wednesdays • 6:00–8:30 p.m.
September 21 • Huntley Meeting Room
October 19 • Carnegie Community Room
November 16 • Huntley Meeting Room

Join us to play games like Settlers of Catan, Ticket to Ride and other modern board games. Meet up with fellow board gamers. Bring a favorite game to teach new players or play one from our collection. REGISTER or DROP IN

Irish Poetry Reading

Monday, September 26 • 7:00 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room

Four poets from the Carlow Writers’ Cooperative Group from Carlow, Ireland will present an exciting night of vibrant and reflective poetry in this special event. REGISTER

Smile!

Attendance at programs and events sponsored by the St. Charles Public Library may be recorded through photographs or video. These images may be used for Library promotional purposes or posted on the Library’s website. Please notify a Library staff member if you or your family members do not want to be photographed.

Special Accommodations

Requests for special accommodations must be made 48 hours in advance of a Library event. If assistance is needed in using the Library, please inform a Library assistant at the Circulation Desk.

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EVENTS FOR ADULTS

Novel Ideas
Wednesday, September 28
10:00–11:15 a.m.
Bisbee Conference Room
Do you like talking about books you have read? Would you like to hear about books others have enjoyed? Join us and get fresh ideas on what your next great read will be. DROP IN

65+ Senior Art Program
Friday, September 30 • 1:00–3:00 p.m.
Huntley Meeting Room
Paint a full-themed picture on canvas! Join local artist Aimee Marx, who will guide you in creating your very own painting. No experience is necessary. Canvas, paint and all supplies will be provided. Creating art can be messy! Please wear old clothes or a cover up. Participants must be 65+ and St. Charles Public Library cardholders. Space is limited to 15 people. REGISTER

Don’t Miss Genealogy Series

Understanding Commercial DNA Test Results
Wednesday, September 28 • 7:00 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room
Forensic genealogist and author Marsha Peterson-Maas will explain the three types of commercial DNA tests (atDNA, Y-DNA and mtDNA) and the options for networking to find kinship matches.
The Fundamentals of Genealogy: Basics for Everyone textbook will be available for purchase. REGISTER

A Guide to Overseas Genealogy
Tuesday, November 15 • 7:00 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room
Genealogist Jacque Schattner will detail the history of immigrant travel into the U.S. and how to locate genealogical records in most European countries. Learn about immigration, emigration and ship records plus European birth, marriage, death and census records. A list of over 30 websites for European research and a guide for translating records will be provided. REGISTER

Sunday Concert Series
Sundays at 2:00 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room DROP IN
October 2 — Equipped with different acoustic style guitars, Folk and Blues singer and National Slide Guitar Champion Kraig Kenning will impress you with his amazing skills.
October 23 — Award-winning pianist Matt Peterson will perform a mix of Ravel, Beethoven, and Chopin, in addition to one or two of his own classical compositions.
November 13 — Matt and Cynthia Gruel present Two for One Broadway. This delightful cabaret, performed in chronological order (one show per decade from the 1940s to the 2000s), features favorite tunes from seven Broadway shows.

AARP Smart Driver
Thursday, October 6 and
Friday, October 7 • 9:15 a.m.–1:15 p.m.
Huntley Meeting Room
AARP Smart Driver safety course is designed especially for drivers age 50 and above. It covers defensive driving techniques for adjusting to normal changes in vision, hearing and reaction time associated with aging. Learn about current rules of the road and how to operate your vehicle more safely. A fee of $15.00 for AARP members and $20.00 for non-members includes a guidebook. Attendees pay the instructor directly. REGISTER

Social Security, Medicare and Me
Thursday, September 1 • 6:30 p.m.
Huntley Meeting Room
Medicare’s annual Open Enrollment is between October 15 and December 7. This program covers changes to 2016 Social Security and Medicare parts A, B, C and D. Additional topics include time frames as when to apply and detailed information about your options. REGISTER

Friends of St. Charles Public Library
Become a Friend
Looking for a volunteer opportunity? Want to support your Library? The Friends may be for you! Through our twice-yearly book sales, lobby sales and other fundraising efforts, the Friends provide funds for Library programs and purchase equipment to supplement the Library’s regular budget. If you would like to learn more about the group, check out the Library website under “Support Us,” pick up a Friends brochure at the Circulation Desk or attend a dinner in October, February or June.

St. Charles Public Library
Friends Potluck Supper and Meeting
Monday, October 10  •  6:00 p.m.
Huntley Meeting Room

Friends Used Book Sale
Friday, October 21  •  2:30–7:30 p.m.
Saturday, October 22  •  9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 23  •  noon–3:00 p.m.
Bargains galore! Thousands of books to choose from for all ages. Bag sale on Sunday.

The Essential Houdini
Tuesday, November 1  •  7:00 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room
On the 90th anniversary of his death, William Pack ventures beyond the myths and legends to bring master magician Harry Houdini’s story to life in a historical presentation that combines information, humor and perhaps even a magic trick or two. REGISTER

Money for College

The Financial Aid Process
Thursday, October 13  •  7:00 p.m.
Huntley Meeting Room
Many students and parents consider finances the biggest barrier to college. A speaker from the Illinois Student Assistance Commission will outline the process and provide insight on ways to maximize access to financial aid. You will learn about the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), state and federal aid programs and trusted sources of information. REGISTER

The 2016 Presidential Elections
Thursday, October 13  •  7:00 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room
Professor Gary Midkiff will explain the stated positions of this year’s final presidential candidates, and their perceived strengths and weaknesses. At the end of the presentation, there will be time for audience participation. REGISTER

FAFSA Step-by-Step
Thursday, October 27  •  7:00–8:30 p.m.
Huntley Meeting Room
The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the form used to apply for most federal and state and many institutional financial aid programs, including the Federal Pell Grant and the Illinois Monetary Award Program (MAP). A speaker from the Illinois Student Assistance Commission will provide a step-by-step review of the FAFSA that includes: what information is required; student eligibility and dependency questions; and how to avoid common mistakes in completing the form. REGISTER

Fascinating Women of History: The Secret Presidency of Edith Wilson
Wednesday, November 2  •  1:00 p.m.
Huntley Meeting Room
Author William Hazelgrove will share the story of the “first woman President” Edith Bolling Wilson who took over the White House in 1919 after Woodrow Wilson had a debilitating stroke. Books will be available for purchase. REGISTER

The Illinois Carnegie Library: Treasures on the Landscape
Wednesday, October 26  •  7:00 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room
In the first 20 years of the 20th century, hundreds of public library buildings were built in towns across the United States through the philanthropy of Andrew Carnegie. Take a visual journey of our state's historical Carnegie Libraries—including our own St. Charles Public Library. Learn about the architecture of the Carnegie Library, the historical period which inspired its origination, and discover how communities have preserved and/or expanded their original library. REGISTER

Staying Positive in a Negative World
Thursday, November 10  •  7:00 p.m.
Carnegie Community Room
Jump start your way to a more positive attitude. Motivational coach Tom Kens shares the 10 fundamental practices you can use to live a healthier, happier life. Kens uses video, humor, drama and testimonies to keep his audience hanging on every word. REGISTER
Choosing a College Major

Thursday, September 22 • 7:00–8:00 p.m.
Huntley Meeting Room

High school graduation is fast approaching. Looking for direction? Peg Hendershot from Career Vision will guide you through the steps you need for successful college major selection and career planning. Parents welcome. REGISTER IN PERSON OR BY PHONE ONLY

Making Your College Search Count

Wednesday, November 9 • 7:00–8:00 p.m.
Huntley Meeting Room

This enlightening presentation will cover the college admissions process, including campus visits, application tips, financial assistance and finding the right school for you. Julie Nelson, Regional Recruitment Director for Xavier University, brings a wealth of information from her more than 20-year career in college admissions, and can answer any questions or concerns you have about the admissions process. Parents are welcome. REGISTER IN PERSON OR BY PHONE ONLY

SAT Practice Test

Saturday, November 12
9:15 a.m.–1:30 p.m.
Huntley Meeting Room

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Kaplan Test Prep is offering a free SAT practice test at the Library. You will take a full-length practice SAT exam and will leave with your personal score in hand. Bring your smartphone—fully charged as you will use it to receive your scores instantly at the end of the test. Remember your calculator and #2 pencils. REGISTER IN PERSON OR BY PHONE ONLY

Nintendo

Wednesdays • 4:00–6:00 p.m.
September 7 • October 5 • November 2
Carnegie Community Room

Stop by and play Nintendo consoles! Choose from NES, Super Nintendo, Nintendo 64, Gamecube, Wii and Wii U. Maybe a random Mario Kart or Smash Bros. tournament will break out. If you have any rare games or equipment, bring them in and show them off! DROP IN

Anime Club

Tuesdays • 6:00–8:00 p.m.
September 13 • Carnegie Room
October 11 • Huntley Meeting Room
November 8 • Carnegie Room

Watch anime, eat snacks and hang out with fellow otaku. There's always something to do: crafts, board games, video games and trivia. DROP IN

Screen Printing Collage Making

Saturday, September 17 • 2:00–5:00 p.m.
Printlab at Water Street Studios,
160 S. Water Street, Batavia
REGISTER AT THE LIBRARY BY WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Come make DIY screen prints! Professional printmaker Kimberly Fredericks will teach how to print and combine the process with collage to create richly-layered prints. No previous art or printmaking experience required. All art supplies will be provided, but please wear an apron, smock or clothes that can get messy. We'll meet at the Printlab Maker-Space at Water Street Studios.

A waiver is required. This class needs a minimum of three and a maximum of eight attendees.

Questions? Please call Brandon Backley at 630-584-0076 ext. 201 or email bbuckley@stcharleslibrary.org

Teen Read Week

TEEN READ WEEK
OCTOBER 9–15, 2016

TEENS’ TOP TEN

Pick up a list of the nominated books in The Loft or at the Reference Desk. Readers ages 12–18 can vote online at www.ala.org/yalsa/readsteens anytime between now and Teen Read Week (October 9–15). Below are a few suggestions from the list.

Six of Crows by Leigh Bardugo • YA FIC BARDUGO
Six dangerous outcasts, one impossible heist. Kaz's crew is the only thing that might stand between the world and destruction—if they don't kill each other first.

The Darkest Part of the Forest by Holly Black • YA FIC BLACK
In Fairhold, a place where both humans and Faeries live, Hazel and Ben have grown up telling stories of the boy in the glass coffin in the woods. The boy with horns and ears pointy as knives. Perhaps he's a prince or a knight. They'll never know because the boy will never wake. But, then, he does ...

The Witch Hunter by Virginia Boecker • YA FIC BOECKER
Set in an alternative 16th-century England, Elizabeth Grey is the only girl in the king's elite group of witch hunters. When she's framed for being a witch herself, Elizabeth finds freedom at the hands of the world's most wanted wizard and her loyalties are tested.

You and Me and Him by Kris Dinnison • YA FIC DINNISON
Maggie is overweight. Nash is out of the closet. They are the best of friends. But that friendship is tested when they both develop feelings for the same boy, a new kid named Tom, and Maggie wonders if winning someone's heart means losing her soulmate.
The Summer After You & Me by Jennifer Doktorski

YA FIC DOKTORSKI
Lucy Giordano lives on the Jersey Shore and has a crush on Connor Malloy, the boy next door. The pair eventually shares an unexpected romance until Super Storm Sandy hits and they go their separate ways. A year later, Lucy's life is returning to normal but Connor is returning for the summer and the torch she holds for him still burns.

Illuminae by Amie Kaufman and Jay Kristoff

YA FIC KAUFMAN
The planet Kerenza is attacked, and Kady and Ezra find themselves on a space fleet fleeing the enemy, while their ship's artificial intelligence system and a deadly plague may be the end of them all.

When by Victoria Laurie

YA FIC LAURIE
High school junior Maddie Flynn has special powers that allow her to see numbers of everyone she meets or sees in a photograph or on-screen above a person's forehead, which she soon discovers are death dates. She identifies the death date of a young boy, but is unable to prevent his disappearance. Then, Maddie becomes a suspect in a homicide investigation.

The Novice: Summoner: Book One by Taran Matharu

YA FIC MATHARU
A blacksmith's apprentice named Fletcher discovers he can summon demons from another world. He is chased from his village for a crime he did not commit and travels with his demon to an academy for adepts where he is to train as a Battlemage in the Empire's war against the savage Orcs. He soon discovers that all is not as it seems.

All the Bright Places by Jennifer Niven

YA FIC NIVEN
Death plays a big role in the lives of high schoolers Theodore Finch and Violet Markey who meet on the ledge of the bell tower at school—both teetering on the edge. He is constantly on the verge of suicide, and she is battling grief after her sister's death. The Indiana teens come together to work on a project and soon develop a bond, showing each other what it's like to live.

The Ghosts of Heaven by Marcus Sedgwick

YA FIC SEDGWICK
Four linked stories of discovery and survival begin with a Paleolithic-era girl who makes the first written signs; then continues with Anna, who people call a witch; followed by a mad twentieth-century poet who watches the ocean knowing the horrors it hides; and concludes with an astronaut on the first spaceship from Earth sent to colonize another world.

Everything, Everything by Nicola Yoon

YA FIC YOON
Maddy is a teenager with a serious autoimmune disease that prevents her from leaving the house. Yet, she seems content to stay home and read books. That is until a boy named Olly moves in next door. The two meet, and their quirky relationship is chronicled through emails, journal entries, IMs and old notes.

Kids, You've Got to Read This!

Children's voices count, too! The Illinois Readers' Choice Awards encourage student participation in naming the best book of the year with the Monarch (K-3), Bluestem (3-5) and Rebecca Caudill (4-8) awards. This year's candidates are featured in a new special display area in Youth Services.

Families, Families, Families! by Suzanne Lang

JE LANG (Monarch)
What does a family look like? Many different kinds are shown in this book through a series of cartoon-style, animal "family portraits," complete with picture frames and even wallpaper in the background. Even though families come in many forms, "...if you love each other, then you are a family."

This Book Just Ate My Dog! by Richard Byrne

JE BYRNE (Monarch)
Bella decides to take her dog for a walk across the page when suddenly...the dog disappears! All the people, rescue vehicles, and others (including Bella herself!) get lost inside the book. Finally, it's up to the book's reader to set everything right again.

Eddie Red Undercover: Mystery on Museum Mile by Marcia Wells

JH WELLS (Bluestem)
Edmond is an especially talented artist with a photographic memory. Because of his talents, the police recruit Edmond, code name, Eddie Red, to watch for members of an international gang of art thieves, the "Picasso Gang." Little do the police know what a resourceful assistant they have recruited as Eddie and his friend Jonah attempt to make progress on a mystery that has stumped police for months.

El Deafo by Cece Bell

J B BELL (Bluestem)
Cece is a young bunny girl who needs a special device to help her hear after a bout of childhood meningitis. The graphic novel memoir encompasses the trials and tribulations of not only dealing with her difficulty hearing, but also her difficulty navigating the ins and outs of normal childhood. To help explain how she endured, Cece becomes the caped superhero El Deafo.

Masterminds by Gordon Korman

JH KORMAN (Rebecca Caudill)
After recovering from a bizarre near-death experience, Eli questions the idyllic lifestyle enjoyed by residents of his isolated hometown. He discovers he is an unwitting player in Osiris, a social experiment that changes everything he thought he knew.

The Story of Owen: Dragon Slayer of Trondheim by E.K. Johnston

JH JOHNSTON (Rebecca Caudill)
In an alternative world populated by nearly-indestructible, highly dangerous dragons who feed on carbon emissions, the famous dragon slayers are dwindling in numbers. Owen comes from a family of dragon slayers who move to Trondheim in hopes of reviving the role of the village dragon slayer of old. Join Owen on his journey with help from a classmate, who agrees to be his math tutor and ends up becoming the bard in his quest.

Join us for the Monarch Marathon and Bluestem & Caudill events to introduce students to these great titles. Details on page 14.
Youth Services:
Registration Information

Most Youth Services events require registration.
- A child's, student's or parent's St. Charles Library card is required. Grandparents may register grandchildren for events with the symbol ⓞ.
- Child or student must be the appropriate age or grade to be registered. Each person attending an event must be registered.
- Registration is on a first-come basis and continues until filled. Drop-in participation may be available.
- Families living outside the Library District may attend certain events for a fee on a space available basis. Check in 10 minutes before the event. All attendees must meet the age/grade requirements.
- For your child's safety, a parent or adult must accompany all children seven (7) years of age and under while in the Library. Please review the "Keeping Safe in the Library" brochure with your child.

Registration ensures that you will be contacted if an event is cancelled or delayed.

Fall/Winter
Registration Dates

events.stcharleslibrary.org/evanced/lib/eventcalendar.asp

In-person, online and phone event registration begins:

Fall – Saturday, August 27
Winter – Saturday, November 19

Grandparents — look for this symbol for events for you and your grandchildren to attend!

Multi-Age Story Time

Infant—Age 5 with Parent/Caregiver

Tuesdays, September 6—November 15 (No stories Oct. 18 & Nov. 8)
9:30–10:00 a.m. OR 10:30–11:00 a.m.

Wednesdays, September 7—November 16 (No stories Oct. 19)
9:30–10:00 a.m. OR 10:30–11:00 a.m.

Open attendance; just show your St. Charles Public Library card.

Storytellers will present stories and songs that will tickle, delight and amuse. Children and adults attend together. To ensure an enjoyable story experience for everyone attending, each session will have a total capacity of 40 children and adults. Please arrive early as we will begin to distribute tickets each day 10 minutes before the story time. Door opens five minutes before the event begins. DROP IN

Families living outside the Library District may attend for $2 per person on a space available basis.

Age-Specific Story Times

The early childhood story times through age two encourage the adult to participate with the child by serving as a role model, leading the child's hands through a fingerplay or showing him/her how to bend and stretch. Siblings may attend. Register each child and adult. Participation is limited to registered children and parent/caregiver. An adult may bring up to two children. Ask about accommodations for twins or triplets. REGISTER

Infant with Parent/Caregiver

Mondays, 9:30–10:00 a.m.
Session A: September 12—October 10
Session B: October 17—November 14

One Year Old with Parent/Caregiver

Mondays, 10:30–11:00 a.m.
Session A: September 12—October 10
Session B: October 17—November 14

Thursdays, 9:30–10:00 a.m.
Session A: September 15—October 13
Session B: October 20—November 17

Two Year Old with Parent/Caregiver

Tuesdays, 9:30–10:00 a.m.
Session A: September 13—October 11
Session B: October 18—November 15

Wednesdays, 10:30–11:00 a.m.
Session A: September 14—October 12
Session B: October 19—November 16

Three & Four Year Olds

Tuesdays, 10:30–11:00 a.m.
Session A: September 13—October 11
Session B: October 18—November 15

Wednesdays, 9:30–10:00 a.m.
Session A: September 14—October 12
Session B: October 19—November 16

This story time fosters a love of books and reading and develops good listening skills. To encourage the child's self-reliance, we ask that the child be comfortable attending the program alone.
Four & Five Year Olds and Half-Day Kindergarten Students

Tuesdays, 1:30–2:15 p.m.
Session A: September 13–October 11
Session B: October 18–November 15

Thursdays, 10:30–11:15 a.m.
Session A: September 15–October 13
Session B: October 20–November 17

This story time will inform, delight and stimulate on a higher level the listening and motor skills of a more mature pre-K child, as well as engage and enrich students in half-day Kindergarten.

Pajama Story Time

Family—especially for young children

Wednesday, September 7 • Thursday, September 22
Thursday, October 6 • Tuesday, October 25
Wednesday, November 16 • Tuesday, November 29
6:30–7:00 p.m.

Join us for an evening of stories under the stars in the Helen Gale Story Room. Come dressed in your favorite pajamas and bring along your blanket or a stuffed toy. REGISTER

Stories at the Nature Center

Infant—5 years with Parent/Caregiver

Fridays, September 16 • October 14 • November 18
10:30–11:00 a.m.

Creek Bend Nature Center at LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve,
37W700 Dean Street

Come hear stories at Creek Bend Nature Center. After the program, explore the Nature Center, walk the trails and enjoy nature at its best. Cosponsored with the Forest Preserve District of Kane County.

REGISTER
Families outside the Library District: Register with the Forest Preserve by email at programs@kaneforest.com

Bilingual Spanish Story Time

Child, infant—age 5 with Parent/Caregiver

Saturdays, September 24 • October 22 • November 19
10:30–11:00 a.m.

Tuesdays, September 27 • October 11 • November 1
6:30–7:00 p.m.

Bilingual Spanish Story Time is a sharing of books, fingerplays, activities and songs in both Spanish and English. We encourage the adult to participate with the child by serving as a role model, leading the child or showing him/her how to participate. Siblings may attend. Register each child, student and adult that will be attending. Register for one or for all. REGISTER

Cuentos en Español e Inglés

Para niños y niñas de hasta 5 años de edad acompañados de sus padres o cuidadores.

Los Sábado, Septiembre 24 • Octubre 22 • Noviembre 19
10:30–11:00 a.m.

Los Martes, Septiembre 27 • Octubre 11 • Noviembre 1
6:30–7:00 p.m.

Durante los Cuentos en español e inglés compartiremos historias, juegos de los dedos, actividades y canciones. Nosotros incentivamos la participación del adulto con su niño/a, para que puedan servir como modelo y puedan guiar a los niños en su participación. Hermanos/nas pueden asistir. Regístre cada niño/niña, estudiante y adulto que atenderá para cada programa o registre en familia. REGISTRESE
INFANT – AGE 5

Stories Live!
Child, infant–age 5 with Parent/Caregiver
Friday, September 30 • Three Bears
Friday, October 21 • Little Red Hen
Tuesday, November 22 • Itsy Bitsy Spider
10:00–10:30 a.m. OR 11:00–11:30 a.m.
Your favorite stories will come alive as the storyteller tells and then explores with you the various ways to share the story again through puppetry, fingerplay, song and more. These early literacy story experiences are offered throughout the year. We encourage you to attend each multiple times over the years, as children will experience a story differently at each age and stage of development. REGISTER

Preschool Forum for Adults
Adults Only—Registration Required
Thursday, November 3 • 7:00–8:30 p.m.
Registration deadline: 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 3
Which preschool is right for your child? Representatives from preschools in St. Charles will speak about the unique qualities of their school. After the presentation, representatives will be available to answer questions. Next Forum will be November 2017. REGISTER
Adults living outside the Library District may attend on a space available basis. Details at 630-584-9390.
Looking for a preschool in Geneva or Batavia? Drop by the Preschool Fair on Monday, November 14 from 6:30–8:00 p.m. at the Batavia Public Library. Details at gpil.org and/or www.bataviapubliclibrary.org

Early Literacy Theme Bags
Looking for great books to share with children, infant through age five? Try our new Early Literacy Theme Bags. Enjoy 10 theme-related books selected to build early literacy in each bag. Each title is specially selected by our early literacy experts and is age appropriate to provide a variety of literary experiences through stories, information, rhyming and wordless books.
Themes include Dinosaurs, Friendship, Families, Transportation, Farm Animals, Zoo Animals, Construction, Food, Clothes and Airplanes. There are two theme bags for each topic: one with titles designed for infants through age two and one with titles designed for children from ages three to five. Theme bags feature fiction and non-fiction, as well as award-winning authors or illustrators. Just pick out your topic and age, bring the bag to the ASK ME Desk for check out, and you’ll be out the door with high-quality children’s literature.

FOR FAMILIES

Grace for President
Wednesday, September 21
4:00–4:30 p.m.
Meet Illinois State Senator Karen McConnaughay. The Senator will be visiting Youth Services to read aloud Kelly DiPucchio’s book Grace for President and will then present a copy of the book to the Library. REGISTER or DROP IN

Read with Rusty: Reading Program
Sunday, September 25–Friday, December 2
Infants–age 14
The Chicago Steel Hockey Team is partnering with libraries for a 10-week reading power play. The goal is to read daily for an average of 20 minutes during the 10 weeks for a total of 1,000 minutes. Read to earn a complimentary ticket to a Chicago Steel Hockey game and a drawstring backpack. DETAILS AT REGISTRATION.
Meet Chicago Steel Players & Rusty
Sunday, September 25
2:00 p.m.
Rusty, the Chicago Steel mascot, will be here to drop the puck as we begin signing kids up for the reading program. The fun will include Chicago Steel Players reading aloud, Rusty greeting everyone and a few special surprises. Mark your calendar!

Star Wars Reads Day
Monday, October 3
3:30–4:15 p.m. OR 4:45–5:30 p.m.
It’s a nation-wide celebration of reading! At our intergalactic adventure you will enjoy a Star Wars story, create a LEGO Ewok village, put together puzzles, make Wookie sounds and more. Come in costume, be entered in a drawing and join the parade. Children through age seven must be accompanied by an adult. Students in grades 3–8 may attend solo. REGISTER
Dave Herzog’s Marionettes: Pumpkin Patch Review

Monday, October 10
2:00–3:00 p.m.

Everyone loves Farmer Brown’s pumpkin patch where strange and fantastic things happen. Anything is possible when Juggling Jack Pumpkin Head, Miss Okarella the Can Can dancing pig, Clara Cluck and Betty Lou and Homer the square dancing scarecrows get together—you will be amazed by their daring feats. Children through age seven must be accompanied by an adult. Students in grades 3–8 may attend solo. REGISTER

Families living outside the Library District may attend for $2 per person on a space available basis.

11th Annual Read for the Record: “The Bear Ate Your Sandwich”

Thursday, October 27
4:00–5:00 p.m.

Join us and hundreds of thousands of record-breakers around the nation, as together we read The Bear Ate Your Sandwich by Julia Sarcone-Roach. In celebration of reading, we invite everyone to listen to the story, sing songs and take home a special memento. We support Jumpstart’s mission to work towards the day when every child in America will enter kindergarten prepared to succeed. www.jstart.org/campaigns/read-for-the-record REGISTER or DROP IN

Reading Gone Wild

Sunday, November 6
1:00–2:30 p.m.

In partnership with the St. Charles Park District
Hickory Knolls Discovery Center, 3795 Campion Hills Drive

Animals love stories too! Bring a book to read to the animals of Hickory Knolls and enjoy a fun way to share a story with the entire family. Peter Rabbit, Olly the lizard and other friends will be joined by therapy dogs for a very cozy event. Storytellers from the St. Charles Public Library will kick off the event with a medley of stories. Please bring a donation of paper towels for Anderson Animal Shelter. REGISTER

International Games Day

Family & Students K–8

Saturday, November 19
10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
Huntley Meeting Room & Helen Gale Story Room

Fun for the whole family: video gaming with Mario Kart, LEGO Rock Band and Just Dance, plus board games and building with LEGO. Drop by for an hour or two or more to test your skills with members of your family or with other participants. DROP IN

You Build with LEGO

Saturday, November 19
10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
Huntley Meeting Room

Bring your imagination. We have all you will need to create with LEGO bricks. Creations will be posted to the Kids Facebook page and displayed in Youth Services. Children through age seven must be accompanied by an adult. Students in grades 3–8 may attend solo. DROP IN

Books LIVE! Family Reading Night

Thursday, November 17 • 6:30–7:30 p.m.

Look who’s coming! Madeline, Dorothy and the Very Hungry Caterpillar will all be here to share in the stories and fun activities. Everyone in costume as a book character will be entered in a drawing for an autographed children’s book. Family Reading Night, sponsored by Jesse White, Secretary of State and State Librarian, and the Illinois Center for the Book, is an annual statewide event that encourages families to spend quality time reading together. REGISTER or DROP IN
Movie Nights

Grades 4–8
Fridays, September 23 – October 7 – November 11
4:30 – 7:00 p.m.
Watch a recent release on the big screen. Titles will be posted at the ASK ME Desk. Pizza provided by Gino’s East; popcorn and lemonade will be served. Registration closes at 9:00 p.m. the Thursday before the movie. REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY DEADLINE

LEGO® Workshops
Everyone loves to build with LEGO® bricks, so we have a workshop for younger students to play and create in addition to the family and older student events. These hands-on workshops include elements of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics) learning. All creations will be displayed in Youth Services until the next event and also posted on the Kids Facebook page.

You Play with LEGO® STEAM
Grades K–2
Thursday, September 29
Monday, October 24
Thursday, November 17
4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Bring your imagination. We have all you will need to create with LEGO® bricks. REGISTER

You Design with LEGO® STEAM
Grades 3–8
Thursday, September 29 – Mystery
Monday, October 24 – Scarecrow
Thursday, November 17 – Hockey
4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Use your imagination in designing and building a LEGO® creation in the designated theme. Creations that meet the criteria will be judged on creative interpretation of theme, complexity, thought process behind the design, and completion within the designated 45-minute time. Awards will be presented. Work as an individual or as a member of a team. Think ahead and come with your plans. REGISTER

Award Nominees: Monarch, Bluestem & Rebecca Caudill

Each year students cast a vote for their favorite book from the nominated titles for three Illinois Children’s Choice Awards: Monarch for students in grades K–3; Bluestem for students in grades 3–5; and Rebecca Caudill for students in grades 4–8. Titles on the nominated lists are found in the Youth Services’ Award Nominees area. Join us as we explore and talk about this year’s nominees. Be ready to vote for your favorite this spring. The Library will be a polling place for students who have not already voted at school. REGISTER or DROP IN

Monarch Marathon
Grades K–3
Wednesday, October 26 – 4:00–5:00 p.m.
Take a quick dash through this year’s nominees with a sprinkling of fun activities.

Meet the Bluestems Animals Real & Silly
Grades 3–5
Thursday, November 10 – 4:00–5:30 p.m.
Eat popcorn and drink lemonade while we enjoy a film fest featuring book trailers of this year’s titles.

Caudills: A Tasting
Grades 4–8
Fridays, September 23 – October 7 – November 11
4:30 – 7:00 p.m.
Each Movie Night will include a light tasting of nominated titles. Listen as we talk, eat pizza and watch a movie. REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Scary Stories at Creek Bend
Grades 3–Adult
Friday, October 28 – 8:00–9:15 p.m.
Creek Bend Nature Center at Lefroy Oakes Forest Preserve
37W700 Dean Street
Spine-chilling scary stories will be told by featured storyteller Mike Speller, Valerie Versic and A. Denise Farrugia as dusk turns to darkness. Gather at the outdoor amphitheater for stories by the campfire. In the event of inclement weather, stories will be told indoors at the Nature Center. Cosponsored with the Forest Preserve District of Kane County. Bring blankets and flashlights. REGISTER

Families outside the Library District:
Register with the Forest Preserve by email at programs@kaneforest.com

Fermilab Presents: Light & Color STEM
Grades 2–8
Wednesday, November 30
4:30–5:30 p.m.
Explore the phenomenon of light and how the waves and particles produce color in our world with Anne Heavey, physicist at Fermilab. This engaging, interactive presentation supports Next Generation Science Standards—Disciplinary Core Ideas:
1-PS-4.B; MS-PS4.A, B. REGISTER or DROP IN
FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS

GRADUES 6–8

Babysitter Training

Babysitter with First Aid and CPR for Infant & Child  • Ages 11–15
Monday AND Tuesday, November 21 & 22
Two six-hour training workshops
9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Fee $45  REGISTER
Students living outside the Library District may register beginning November 7 for $65.

Become a Red Cross certified babysitter. Training will cover all aspects of babysitter responsibilities and includes a Babysitter Training set which features valuable resources—handbook, emergency reference guide and CD with templates, organizer, activities and more. Students must attend the entire training workshop and successfully pass all observable skills to receive First Aid certification valid for three years, CPR certification for five years, and Babysitter certification. Grant funding provided by the Friends of St. Charles Public Library and St. Charles Kiwanis. Min. of 8/max. of 10 students.

Registration Requirements:
A completed Babysitter Application form, including student and parent signatures, is due at registration. The form is available at the ASK ME Desk and online. In-person registration only.

Full payment (cash or check payable to St. Charles Public Library) is required to register or to add your name to the waiting list. Cancellations must be made by noon on Friday, November 18. Late cancellations or no-shows will result in loss of fee. In the event that a student on the waiting list is not called to attend, a refund will be mailed.

Waiting List – Up to two applications will be accepted per training session. All applicants will be contacted after the cancellation deadline regarding registration status.

Attack of the Stay Puft Marshmallow

Grades 6–8
Wednesday, September 28  • 4:00–5:00 p.m.
You've seen him in the Ghostbuster movies. He's big, round and puffy. Join in the fun as we recreate Stay Puft Marshmallow with balloons and a series of tasks that will certainly be wacky. Will your team have what it takes to be the Stay Puft Marshmallow?  REGISTER

Books, Camera...Fun

Grades 6–8
Thursday, October 13  • 4:00–5:30 p.m.
It’s Teen Read Week, and we are celebrating with books, books, and more books. We will be discussing The Screaming Staircase by Jonathan Stroud, a 2017 Rebecca Caudill nominee. You can read this title or any of the 2017 Caudill nominees and tell us what you think. Then there will be book facing...pick one of our books with a face on the cover, put it in front of your face, we will take your photo and post it to the Kids Facebook page.  REGISTER

Library Tour & Hunt

Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts

Attention Leaders! Bring your Scouts to the Library for a hands-on workshop on all Youth Services has to offer. Scouts learn where resources and collections are located, as well as how the Library is organized, get tips on how to use resources and various services, including digital. Customized hunts have Scouts using clues to seek out locations and answers in the department. Leaders may schedule a date by contacting A. Denise Farrugia at 630-584-0076 ext. 236 or email at adfarrugia@stcharleslibrary.org  SCHEDULE

Music Light Show

Grades 6–8
Monday, November 14  • 4:00–5:30 p.m.
Music + colored lights + glow sticks = an amazing show and fun experience. Bring your own music player (iPod, MP3, etc.) and earbuds/headphones. We will have the glow sticks, colored lights and more. As the ceiling lights go out, enjoy the “rave” lights and let the music and rhythm move you—a treat for your eyes and ears.  REGISTER

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Phone 630-584-0076 • Fax 630-584-9262
adultref@stcharleslibrary.org
Youth Services: 630-584-9390
askme@stcharleslibrary.org

Discover Your Library is published four times per year and will be available in your mailbox or online through the Library's website.

Hours
Monday–Thursday 9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Sunday Noon–5:00 p.m.

Closings
Monday, September 5
Wednesday, November 23 at 6:00 p.m.
Thursday, November 24

Library Board Members
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Norman C. Huntley, Treasurer
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Library Board Meetings
Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Carnegie Community Room
September 14
October 12
November 9

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Your Design on Our Library Card!

How Cool is That?

We are seeking artists of all ages within the St. Charles Public Library District to submit designs for new library cards during National Library Card Sign-Up Month. We will unveil new cards created by a local kid, teen and adult this fall. Each winner will receive a $100 gift card!

As you’re generating creative ideas, here are a few details to keep in mind:

- Designs must be completed using a 7” x 4.25” template which is available at the Library or download at stcharleslibrary.org. Digital artwork must be 1050 pixels x 639 pixels.
- All artwork must be original, previously unpublished and free of copyright restrictions.
- Submissions must be accompanied by a signed entry form including the artist's age category: Kid (12 and under), Teen (13-17) or Adult (18+).

Designs must be submitted to the Circulation Desk by 8:00 p.m., Friday, September 9, 2016. Winners will be announced Monday, September 26, 2016.

New and existing cardholders will be able to choose from any of the new designs. Stop by the Library or visit stcharleslibrary.org for full contest rules and a design template.
Begin forwarded message:

From: Joe Sommer <jtsommer@yahoo.com>
Date: September 5, 2016 at 4:06:03 PM CDT
To: "Nancy J. McFarland" <nancy-mcfarland@ameritech.net>
Subject: SommerSoccer update
Reply-To: Joe Sommer <jtsommer@yahoo.com>

Hi Nancy,
Hope you had a great weekend--I just wanted to pass on some fun news. Joey and Nicky hosted their SommerSoccer camp this past weekend and raised just over $400 for the LivingWell Cancer Resource Center! Thanks again to you and the StC youth commission for all your help and support last year. It was great incentive to keep the camp going for our boys. Have a great week. Lisa

Sent from my iPhone

> On Nov 25, 2015, at 12:19 PM, Lisa Sommer <jtsommer@yahoo.com> wrote:
> Hi Nancy,
> Joey and Nicky were able to raise $250 for the LivingWell Cancer resource center through their soccer camp this summer. They are hoping to fit a couple more events in this winter/spring weather permitting.
> Funds used from StC Youth Commission grant:
> Sommersoccer.com domain name renewal for two years: $130.40
> SommerSoccer web builder for 1 year: $71.88
> Small pug goal for camp: $49.99
> Snacks for campers: $7.88
> Total: $260.15
> (Remaining funds $249.85)
> I hope this is what you needed. If you need any more information, please let me know. Thank you and have a great Thanksgiving. Lisa Sommer
>
> >> On Nov 22, 2015, at 1:20 PM, "Nancy J. McFarland" <nancy-mcfarland@ameritech.net> wrote:
> >>
St. Charles Youth Commission
A community effort linking city government to the people it serves

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All grant application ideas/proposals MUST originate from St. Charles Youth.

All requests must be submitted on the following forms for funding consideration.

Contact Nancy McFarland for additional information at
(630) 377-7059
St. Charles Youth Commission
211 N. Riverside Avenue
St. Charles, Illinois 60174
630-377-4435

GRANT 2015-2016
INFORMATION

It is the belief of the St. Charles Youth Commission that our young people have insights into both the issues that impact our youth and ideas to bring about positive change.

Please answer the following grant criteria by writing neatly or typing your answers on the following pages. **DO NOT INCLUDE YOUR NAME(S), SCHOOL OR GROUP IDENTITY IN ANY OF YOUR ANSWERS TO ITEMS 2-5.**

1. **INFORMATION**
   This page should contain your name(s), school or group that is submitting this grant request.

2. **IDENTIFIED NEED**
   Please write one paragraph stating a need you see in our community and describe how you and your youth group could make a positive impact.

3. **THE PROJECT**
   In one paragraph, describe your project and how it will address your identified need.

4. **PROJECT GOALS**
   Describe the goals of your project.

5. **BUDGET AND TIMELINE**
   Please provide a proposed budget of what you estimate your expenses will be as well as a timeline for the implementation and completion of your project.

**NOTE:** A report back to the Youth Commission is considered an essential part of the Grant. This report should include an accounting of how your funds were spent. You will be invited to present your completed project to the Youth Commission and share your experience.
St. Charles Youth Commission 2015-2016 Grant Application

1. INFORMATION
   Please write neatly or type your application following the criteria requested on each page.

   Name(s) and age(s) of applicant(s): ________________________________

   Group (if applicable): ____________________________________________

   Name(s) of adult(s) involved with your project: ______________________

CONTACT

   Name: ________________________________

   Address: ________________________________

   City/State/Zip: __________________________

   Phone: ________________________________

   Email: ________________________________

All applications are due on or before December 11, 2015 at the Police Department. Please return all pages to:

   St. Charles Youth Commission
   c/o St. Charles Police Department
   211 N. Riverside Avenue
   St. Charles, IL 60174
2. **IDENTIFIED NEED**
   Please write one paragraph stating a need you see in our community and describe how you and your youth group could make a positive impact.

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