

LIBRARY NEWS!

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November

As we move into November, the Heartland Regional Library System is excited to offer a wide range of programs and resources to help you stay cozy and connected during the colder months. From new books and seasonal activities to opportunities for learning and creativity, our library branches are here to support and inspire. Be sure to check out our upcoming events, get a head start on holiday reading, and explore all the ways you can make the most of your library this season.

We also want to remind everyone that with the holidays approaching, now is a great time to ensure your library account is up to date. Whether you're renewing a membership or just stopping by for a visit, we're here to assist you with everything you need.

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NEW ITEMS!

Visit our online catalog here.

<https://heartland.missourievergreen.org/eg/opac/home>

ADULT FICTION

The Banned Books Club by Brenda Novak

Despite their strained relationship, when Gia Rossi's sister, Margot, begs her to come home to Wakefield, Iowa, to help with their ailing mother, Gia knows she has no choice. After her rebellious and at-times-tumultuous teen years, Gia left town with little reason to look back. But she knows Margot's borne the brunt of their mother's care and now it's Gia's turn to help, even if it means opening old wounds. As expected, Gia's

homecoming is far from welcome. There's the Banned Books Club she started after the PTA overzealously slashed the high school reading list, which is right where she left it. But there is also Mr. Hart, her former favorite teacher. The one who was fired after Gia publicly and painfully accused him of sexual misconduct. The one who prompted Gia to leave behind a very conflicted town the minute she turned eighteen. The one person she hoped never to see again. When Margot leaves town without explanation, Gia sees the cracks in her sister's "perfect" life for the first time and plans to offer support. (for more, visit our online catalog)



YOUNG ADULT FICTION

A Constellation of Minor Bears by Jenny Ferguson

Before that awful Saturday, Molly used to be inseparable from her brother, Hank, and his best friend, Tray. The indoor climbing accident that left Hank with a traumatic brain injury filled Molly with anger. While she knows the accident wasn't Tray's fault, she will never forgive him for being there and failing to stop the damage. But she can't forgive herself for not being there either. Determined to go on the trio's postgraduation hike of the Pacific Crest Trail, even without Hank, Molly packs her bag. But when her parents put Tray in charge of looking out for her, she is stuck backpacking with the person who incites her easy anger. Despite all her planning, the trail she'll walk has a few more twists and turns ahead...



JUVENILE NON-FICTION

Guinness World Records 2025

Guinness World Records 2025 marks the 70th anniversary of the publishing phenomena that has sold more than 150 million copies in over 100 countries. The new edition--fully revised and updated with over 1,000 images--continues the annual tradition of delivering thousands of awe-inspiring facts, eye-watering feats and mind-blowing figures in a book that's designed for the whole family to enjoy.



Resources



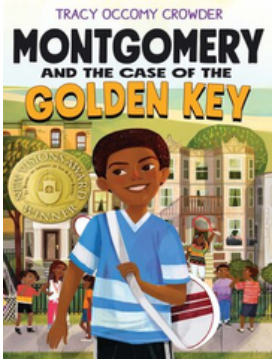
Montgomery and the Case of the Golden Key

by Tracy Occomy Crowder

Available in Libby and Sora with no waitlists or holds from **November 7-21**

<https://www.biglibraryread.com/current-title/>

Get ready to embark on an enchanting journey through Washington Park, Chicago with Montgomery “Monty” Carver in Montgomery and the Case of the Golden Key, by debut author Tracy Occomy Crowder. HRLS patrons can experience this nostalgic adventure with Big Library Read, the world’s largest digital book club. From November 7-21, Tracy Occomy Crowder’s Montgomery and the Case of the Golden Key is available for free as an ebook and audiobook on the Libby app through Heartland Library. Library card holders can join thousands of others around the globe in reading the digital book without waitlists or holds and access lesson plans and discussion guides from TeachingBooks.net for facilitating age-appropriate conversations about story writing, cultural representation, and historical fiction. A fabulous family read, Montgomery and the Case of the Golden Key promises to captivate readers of all ages with its delightful story of discovery, resilience, and the power of community.



Crafts and Hobbies

[/https://www.heartland.lib.mo.us/craftshobbies](https://www.heartland.lib.mo.us/craftshobbies)

With the holidays approaching, AtoZ Food America is the perfect resource to inspire your seasonal cooking. Our library offers patrons access to this rich digital platform, where you can explore thousands of recipes, food history, and regional specialties from across the U.S. Whether you're looking for traditional holiday dishes or unique regional treats to impress your guests, AtoZ Food America provides a wealth of ideas and culinary inspiration. Discover the flavors and traditions that make American food so special, just in time for your festive celebrations!



AtoZ FOOD AMERICA™

Explore America's regional food culture and recipes, as well as state specialties and ethnic cuisine. It's a movable feast in a digital cookbook.

Learn to make salads from the South, appetizers from Alaska, and desserts from the Dutch. This cookbook covers the country!

SAMPLE TOPICS

- Cuisine Overview
- State Foods
- Recipes
- Special Occasion Foods
- What Did They Eat?
- Farmers Markets
- Special Ingredients
- Food Trivia

REFERENCE

- Ingredients
- Historical Timelines
- Food Quotes
- Spirits & Mixed Drinks
- Cooking Videos
- Farmers Market Directory



CreativeBug

As the cold months settle in our communities, there's no better time to get cozy and crafty with CreativeBug, a free resource available through our library! With hundreds of video tutorials on everything from sewing, quilting, knitting and crochet to painting and paper crafts, CreativeBug offers endless inspiration for beginners and experts alike. Access this creative treasure trove with your library card and start your next project today, whether you're making homemade gifts or just enjoying a relaxing, crafty escape. Stay warm, stay creative!

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