

LIBRARY NEWS!

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August

As summer begins to wind down, there's still plenty happening at your library! We hope you've enjoyed our Summer Reading Program and all of the fun events, activities, and adventures we've shared over the past few months. Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make this summer such a success.

August brings a new season of opportunities to discover something new. Whether you're preparing for back-to-school, looking for your next great read, exploring our digital resources, or attending one of our upcoming programs, your library is here for you. Be sure to check out everything happening this month—we have something for every age and interest.

As always, thank you for making the Heartland Regional Library System a part of your community. We look forward to seeing you at the library this August!

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NEW ITEMS!

Visit our online catalog here.

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

ADULT FICTION

Dungeon Crawler Carl by Matt Dinniman

The apocalypse will be televised! A man. His ex-girlfriend's cat. A sadistic game show unlike anything in the universe: a dungeon crawl where survival depends on killing your prey in the most entertaining way possible. In a flash, every human-erected construction on Earth -- from Buckingham Palace to the tiniest of sheds -- collapses in a heap, sinking into the ground.

The buildings and all the people inside have all been atomized and transformed into the dungeon: an 18-level labyrinth filled with traps, monsters, and loot. A dungeon so enormous, it circles the entire globe. Only a few dare venture inside. But once you're in, you can't get out. And what's worse, each level has a time limit. You have but days to find a staircase to the next level down, or it's game over. In this game, it's not about your strength or your dexterity. It's about your followers, your views. Your clout. It's about building an audience and killing those goblins with style. You can't just survive here. You gotta survive big.



YOUNG ADULT FICTION

Medicine Wheels by Byron Graves

When Bryce's mom walks out on her abusive boyfriend and back into jail for breaking her probation, he's left facing the summer of his junior year with no parents, no phone, and only the clothes on his back. With nowhere to call home, Bryce crashes at his grandparents' house on Wolf Creek reservation. Wolf Creek is full of memories and old friends—including Robbie and Mikayla, who hang out at the local skate park. Skateboarding reminds Bryce of his late dad: carefree, riding like he could fly.



JUVENILE FICTION

Berserkers by M. A. Larson

Listen. This book is kind of hard to describe. It takes place in a small town called Norse Ridge, Minnesota, which is a lot like any other small town in the Midwest except it has more subterranean caves and people named Olaf. (Also, they eat hotdish, not casserole. Don't get it twisted.) The main character is a kid named Danny Hall, who goes on a hunt with his friends to find their lost history teacher and Viking treasure, within the said caves. But this book ALSO includes an evil descendent of a Spanish conquistador and his school principal sidekick who are racing to beat the kids to the treasure.



Library of Things

We've been expanding our Library of Things, and our newest additions are sure to come in handy! Keep an eye out for tools arriving at your local library soon. That's right—you'll soon be able to borrow a variety of tools just like you borrow books.

Whether you're tackling a home repair, starting a DIY project, or simply need a tool for a one-time job, our growing tool collection is designed to help you save money and get the job done. Watch our website and social media for announcements as these new items become available for checkout!



Resources

Brainfuse - HelpNow

On demand, anytime, anywhere eLearning. View how easy, intuitive and engaging Brainfuse HelpNow eLearning is for all ages and levels.



Go to Programs/Services
> Homework Help

HelpNow's features include:

- Homework Help Interact with live tutors in math, science, reading/writing, social studies, PSAT/SAT, ACT, AP and state standardized tests.
- Skills-Building Choose your topic to receive real-time help.
- Personalized eLearning Tools My File Sharing, My Session Replay, My Tutoring Archive, My Tests Archive, and more!
- 24-Hour Writing Lab Submit essays and other forms of writing for constructive feedback.
- Homework Send Question Submit homework questions for expert guidance.
- Adult Learning Center Access a library of rich adult learning content (GED) and live, professional assistance in resume/cover letter writing, U.S. citizenship prep, MS Office Essential Skills Series, and more!
- Foreign Language Lab /Spanish-Speaking Support

Website Survey

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