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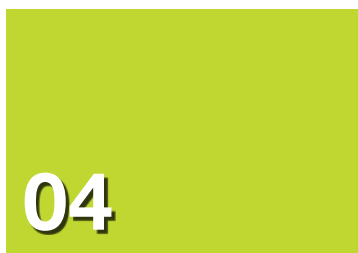
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"Classical Crossroads" with Leonard Slatkin

St. Louis County Library's popular author series returned to in-person events—kicking-off with a special ticketed evening with renowned conductor, composer and author Leonard Slatkin. The event was presented in partnership with the Library Foundation and the Chamber Music Society of St. Louis. Media sponsors include HEC Media, Classic 107.3 and Gazelle Magazine. It was held Monday, September 13 at Library Headquarters.



Ted and JoAnn Sanditz



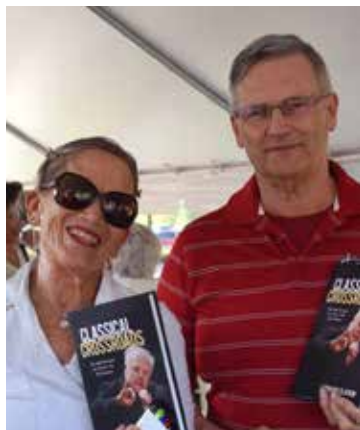
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Miran Halen and Cillah Hall



Classic 107.3 CEO/GM John Clare and Maestro Leonard Slatkin



Maestro Leonard Slatkin's live performance of Leroy Anderson's "The Typewriter" (arr. C. Woehr)



Members of the Chamber Music Society of St. Louis

Fund the Need Week

by Courtney Wood, Friends Coordinator

St. Louis County Library Foundation concluded its **Fund the Need Week** with an outdoor **Food Truck Celebration** at Library Headquarters on August 27. The Library Foundation raised more than \$200,000 for Library services and programs. Guests of the event enjoyed food and drinks from Bootheel Boyz, Clara B's Kitchen Table, Scoops, This N' That Eatery, Tippy Pony Party Bar and Truckeria Del Valle.



Golden Ticket Winner **Rachel Mueller** Heads or Tails Winner **Sandy Williams**



Cillah Hall



Keepin it Real band—Tandra Williams lead vocalist



Zach Poelker, Kristin Thompson Poelker and Mary Gira



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Anita Wilson and Orlando Smith



From the Stacks

Where Shall We Begin?

by Jennifer Alexander, Adult Collection Development Specialist

Amor Towles begins his new novel “The Lincoln Highway” in the middle of the story. Towles presents an adventure featuring train hopping, safe cracking, treasure hunting, score settling and a host of unlikely heroes. The tale unfolds in small towns, the big city, an idyllic rural retreat, and, of course, on the road. While it is packed with swashbuckling action, at its heart is a quieter story about brothers, friends, loyalty, honor, and an everlasting longing for home.

Readers may recognize Towles as the author of the much beloved “A Gentleman in Moscow” and his first book “The Rules of Civility.” Towles has an uncanny talent for using his beautiful language and narrative skills to invest his stories with magic and importance. Whether he is writing about a Russian aristocrat placed under house arrest, or a young woman swept up in New York City high society in the late 1930s, Towles entangles readers in a compelling story, all the while stealthily turning our minds towards bigger ideas.

At the start of “The Lincoln Highway” Emmett returns home from juvenile detention to collect his younger brother Billy and to sign papers for the foreclosure of his recently deceased father’s farm. Emmett’s plans are simple. He and Billy will leave town in his powder-blue 1948 Studebaker Land Cruiser and settle somewhere in Texas. With the money from his father and his carpentry skills, Emmett is confident they can build a new life far from the failures of the past.

Billy has very specific and very different plans for their future. Billy is a precocious eight-year-old who is often the most observant person in the room. His plan is that he and his brother will take the Lincoln Highway to San Francisco. Billy has nine postcards from their long absent mother, who left the family when Billy was an infant. He has a detailed schedule of how they can follow her trail to California and be reunited with her by the 4th of July.

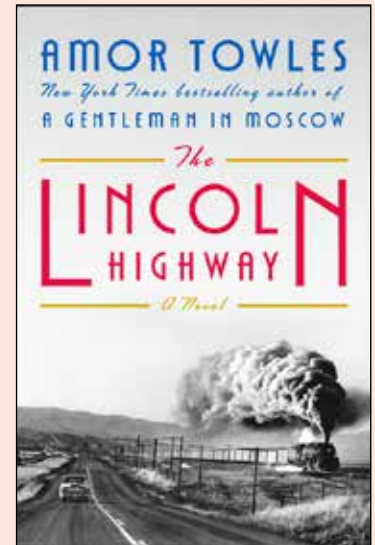
Before Emmett and Billy can reconcile their two versions of the future, additional variations are introduced when two of Emmett’s friends from juvenile detention become part of the story. Duchess is a quick-witted and fast-talking operator who is always ready with a “foolproof” scheme and an explanation when things go awry. Woolly is a tender-hearted dreamer who is perhaps too easily led into trouble and easily distracted. In one instance, Woolly’s admiration for Abraham Lincoln leads him to abandon a car on a busy street so he can admire a statue.

Billy spends much of his time reading and rereading his favorite book, Professor Abacus Abernath’s Compendium of Heroes, Adventurers, and Other Intrepid Travelers. The book contains 26 brief accounts of legendary achievements. The people featured range from Ulysses to Thomas Edison to Robin Hood. The eight-page chapters are arranged alphabetically and the entry for the letter Y is You with eight blank pages available to record the reader’s own heroic story.

Billy learns the phrase “in medias res” from Professor Abernath’s book. Billy explains to Emmett that Homer begins his story of Achilles in the ninth year of the war – in the middle of things, rather than at the beginning. As Billy and Emmett navigate their suddenly complicated lives, Billy says “I am pretty sure that we are on our adventure, Emmett. But I won’t be able to make a start of setting it down until I know where the middle of it is.”

Emmett, Billy, Duchess, and Woolly may remind readers of familiar heroes from legend and literature. They encounter unusual characters and some danger as they pursue their goals. Their flaws lead them into trouble and their hidden strengths surprise everyone, even themselves.

Billy proudly proclaims he has read his Compendium of Heroes 24 times. The best stories reveal something new every time they are read. This reader finished “The Lincoln Highway” with a strong desire to turn immediately back to the first page to start again.



Library Holiday Closures

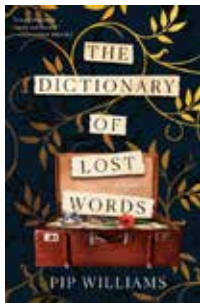
All St. Louis County Library Branches are closed the following dates:

Thursday, November 25–Friday, November 26
Friday, December 24–Saturday, December 25

\$20,000 Match Challenge

We are excited to announce that a Matching Gift has been committed to help the St. Louis County Library Foundation. **Every dollar contributed to the Library Foundation this fall, up to \$20,000, will be doubled** to help the St. Louis County Library address digital inequity in the region. In 2020, St. Louis County government and the Library established the Digital Equity Initiative to support the technology needs of students and school districts during the pandemic. It was later expanded to help underserved older adults access technology and stay connected to loved ones. Your matched gift will advance future digital equity initiatives. Friends membership contributions cannot be used towards this match. **Please consider making an additional donation to maximize this generous matching gift this fall.**

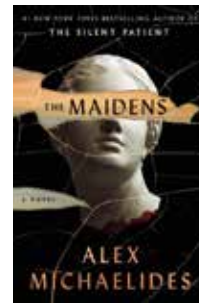
Readers' Advisory Reads for Fall



"The Dictionary of Lost Words"

by Pip Williams

The daughter of one of the creators of the first Oxford English Dictionary devotes her life to saving the words that they reject or overlook.



"The Maidens"

by Alex Michaelides

A therapist suspects that a highly regarded Cambridge Classics professor has murdered a member of a secret society and gets drawn into a web of myth, ancient ritual, and danger.



"Libertie"

by Kaitlyn Greenidge

A free-born African American woman in Reconstruction-era Brooklyn must decide between following her mother's dream for her of attending medical school or taking a chance by marrying a Haitian man who offers her big promises.



"We Ride Upon Sticks"

by Barry Quan

A 1980s high school field hockey team makes a Faustian deal in order to ensure a winning season, and the binding agreement to follow their every urge leads to misbehavior with hilarious and heartfelt results.

Recipes Inspired by Literature

Wizard-Worthy Butterbeer from the "Harry Potter" series by J.K. Rowling



Ingredients

4 cans cream soda
1/4 c. butterscotch syrup
1 c. heavy cream
2 tbsp. sugar
2 tsp. pure vanilla extract
1/4 c. melted butter

Instructions

In a large bowl, combine cream soda and butterscotch syrup and stir. In a stand mixer fitted with a whisk attachment, beat cream until stiff peaks form. Fold in sugar and vanilla extract, then melted butter until no longer streaky. (Add more butter if desired). Ladle Butterbeer into glasses and top with whipped cream mixture.

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Grab & Go After School Meals at St. Louis County Library

As of August 23, Operation Food Search now provides free grab and go meals to children Monday–Friday at eight SLCL locations: Florissant Valley Branch, Indian Trails Branch, Jamestown Bluffs Branch, Lewis & Clark Branch, Natural Bridge Branch, Prairie Commons Branch, Rock Road Branch, and Weber Road Branch. Families with children ages 5–18 can stop by after school and pick up a shelf stable meal to take home. Meals will be available free of charge for children ages 5–18. The Drive-thru Meals program, which started in March 2020 and provided almost 2 million curbside meals, ended August 20.



New Board Member Announcements

The St. Louis County Library Foundation welcomes Paula D. Knight, EdD, Megan Heinsz, Esq. and Robert Christopher (Chris) Chorlins, CFP.



Paula Knight brings a distinguished career in education. She is currently the Superintendent of Schools/CEO at Jennings School District. Her past and present leadership affiliations include more than 20 organizations.



Chris Chorlins is Managing Director, Regional Client Service Leader at MAI Capital. This is Chris' first board appointment. He and his family are huge fans of the Library and have participated in many Library programs.



Megan Heinsz is a founding partner of Dowd Bennett LLP. With a national practice, she defends multinational corporations throughout the United States. She was honored with a Women's Justice Award in the area of Litigation.

Personalized Reading

Let the library help you find your next book! Tell them about your reading preferences by filling out the **Personalized Reading form**. Readers' Advisory will suggest similar books that they think you may like based on what you say you're in the mood to read and what you've liked in the past. Your answers are strictly confidential. A list of 3–5 titles will be emailed to you in approximately one week.

Learn more at slcl.org/personalized-reading.

St. Louis County Library Board Expands Reciprocal Lending Program

St. Louis County Library (SLCL) announced the addition of reciprocal lending agreements with Jefferson County Library, Scenic Regional Library and the Washington Public Library. At their August 16 meeting, the SLCL Board of Trustees approved adding reciprocal lending agreements with the three additional library districts. The agreements were approved the following week by the Board of Trustees at Jefferson County Library, Scenic Regional Library and Washington Public Library. Reciprocal lending between the districts began on September 1, 2021. Prior to these agreements, those residing within these three



library districts were required to purchase a \$50 non-resident card (per household) to check out materials at the St. Louis County Library. Likewise, residents of St. Louis County were required to purchase a non-resident card with these districts to receive library services.

The reciprocal lending agreements were initiated by the library districts to remove barriers for library patrons, resolve the confusion from patrons about library access and foster regional cooperation.

SLCL now has reciprocal lending agreements with the following libraries: Brentwood Public Library, Ferguson Public Library, Jefferson County Library, Kirkwood Public Library, Maplewood Public Library, Richmond Heights Public Library, Rock Hill Public Library, Scenic Regional, St. Charles City-County Library, St. Louis (City) Public Library, University City Public Library, Valley Park Community Library, Washington Public Library and Webster Groves Public Library.

Library Construction Update



Construction is going well at the Lynn Beckwith Jr. Administration Building. The building should be finished in Spring, 2022.

Know Your Library Quiz

1. What is the name of the newest Library Board of Trustees Member?
2. On July 7, the Library added hockey sticks, fishing poles or fencing swords to its list of available items for public checkout?
3. SLCL is the only library in Missouri offering public access to what meditation and sleep app?
4. Didn't see the item you wanted in our collection? What form can a patron fill out to request the Library consider adding this item to the collection?
5. The Library partners with what used book seller for a portion of the profits?

Answers: 1. Deborah Patterson; 2. Fishing poles; 3. Headspace app; 4. Suggest a Purchase form; 5. ThriftBooks

Upcoming author events

Due to COVID-19, most author events are being held virtually with our media partner, HEC-TV. The events will be broadcast simultaneously on **Facebook.com/STLCoLibrary** and on the **Higher Education Channel at Spectrum 989 and AT&T U-verse 99.** A Facebook account is not required to watch these events. Past events are available to view at <https://hecmedia.org/category/literature/virtual-events/>.



In-Person Events: Mask Required for Admission—A properly worn mask covering your mouth and nose is required at all times during in-person events.

We would like to thank our presenting sponsor, Webster University, for supporting the St. Louis County Library Author Series.



Mitch Albom
Saturday, November 6



Dan Jones
Tuesday, November 9



John C. McManus
Friday, November 12



Betsy Cohen
Monday, November 15



Linda Greenhouse
Tuesday, November 16



H.W. Brands
Thursday, November 18



Blair Braverman
Monday, November 22



Tony Messenger
Friday, December 30

November

Tuesday, November 2, 7:00 p.m. VIRTUAL

Heather Clark, "Red Comet: The Short Life and Blazing Art of Sylvia Plath"

Thursday, November 4, 7:00 p.m. VIRTUAL

Jorge Contreras, "The Genome Defense: Inside the Epic Battle to Determine Who Owns Your DNA"

Saturday, November 6, 7:00 p.m. IN-PERSON/TICKETED

Mitch Albom, "The Stranger in the Lifeboat: A Novel"

Sunday, November 7, 2:00 p.m. VIRTUAL/TEEN EVENT

Dustin Thao, "You've Reached Sam"

Tuesday, November 9, 7:00 p.m. VIRTUAL

Dan Jones, "Powers and Thrones: A New History of the Middle Ages"

Wednesday, November 10, 7:00 p.m. VIRTUAL

Jerad Alexander, "Volunteers: Growing Up in the Forever War"

Friday, November 12, 7:00 p.m. IN-PERSON

John C. McManus, "Island Infernos: The US Army's Pacific War Odyssey"

Monday, November 15, 7:00 p.m. IN-PERSON

Betsy Cohen, "Welcome to the U.S.A.—You're Hired: A Guide for the Foreign Born Job Seeker"

Tuesday, November 16, 7:00 p.m. VIRTUAL

Linda Greenhouse, "Justice on the Brink: The Death of Ruth Bader Ginsburg, the Rise of Amy Coney Barrett, and Twelve Months that Transformed the Supreme Court"

Thursday, November 18, 7:00 p.m. VIRTUAL

H.W. Brands, "Our First Civil War: Patriots and Loyalists in the American Revolution"

Monday, November 22, 7:00 p.m. VIRTUAL

Blair Braverman & Quince Mountain, "Dogs on the Trail: A Year in the Life"

Tuesday, November 30, 7:00 p.m. VIRTUAL

Judith Mackrell, "The Correspondents: Six Women Writers on the Front Lines of World War II"

December

Wednesday, December 8, 7:00 p.m. VIRTUAL

Suzanne Corbet and Deborah Reinhardt, "A Culinary History of Missouri: Foodways & Iconic Dishes of the Show-Me State"

Friday, December 10, 7:00 p.m. IN-PERSON

Tony Messenger, "Profit and Punishment: How America Criminalizes the Poor in the Name of Justice"

** Please check the library's website. Dates and other details may change.*

Creative virtual programs

The Library partners with great community experts to bring a diverse range of virtual programming. Below are just three of the many programs being offered this December. **For a full listing visit [slcl.org/events](https://www.slcl.org/events).** Can't make the program time? Check out the Library's YouTube channel to watch a replay of select programs.



VIRTUAL PROGRAM

Decorating with Herbs

Thursday, December 2, 10:00–11:00 a.m.

Herbs can be a fun and aromatic way to decorate. Get tips, tricks and learn how to use herbs for more than just cooking. **Adults. Registration required.**

Participants will receive Zoom information via email immediately after registering. Registration is open now. To register visit [slcl.org/events](https://www.slcl.org/events).

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VIRTUAL PROGRAM

Painting with Beverages

Friday, December 3, 2:00–3:00 p.m.

Learn techniques to create different hues with coffee, tea, or other drinks. **Adults. Registration required.**

Participants will receive Zoom information via email immediately after registering. Registration is open now. To register visit [slcl.org/events](https://www.slcl.org/events).

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VIRTUAL PROGRAM

Furoshiki Gift Wrapping

Saturday, December 11, 10:00–11:00 a.m.

Make your gift wrapping more sustainable this season by learning the art of furoshiki gift wrapping. **Adults and teens. Registration required.**

Participants will receive Zoom information via email immediately after registering. Registration is open now. To register visit [slcl.org/events](https://www.slcl.org/events).

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Focus on Friends



Full Name: Catherine A. Faught

Place of Employment and Job Title:

I am a retired Professional Librarian in the Parkway School District.

Friend of the Foundation Since: 2010

Your library branch: I choose to use Headquarters the most.

Favorite Author or Genre of Books? You can't have a "favorite child" and I'm quite eclectic in my tastes from children's, through Y.A., through adult books.

Traditional book or eBook? My answer to this is always: There are only two possibilities for curling up in bed: A good book and a good man and I've both, thank you! No eBook!

Best part about the library? The aura! What's more fun than walking into a library and observing all of its aspects! There are readers, browsers, dreamers, and wishers.

What is the one classic novel you always meant to, but never got around to reading? Anna Karenina

If you could have dinner with one author dead or alive, who would it be and why? Beatrix Potter, of course. She did so much for children's literature by making it such an important part of children's lives. She also helped to save the Lake District in England from becoming commercialized and kept the Herdwick sheep from becoming extinct. I have enjoyed learning so much about her.

What is one book you wish they would turn into a movie or one book that was better than the movie? When I was a junior high librarian a boy came rushing down the hall to inform me that I was right, the book IS better than the movie! The best definition of reading a book was given to me by a child: (I don't know where I was living at the time, if it was a boy or girl, or the age of the reader), but it was: "Reading a book is like a movie in your mind!" I agree!

Best vacation you have ever taken and why? While working on my second graduate degree in Library Science at Louisiana State University I wrote an independent study project to study L.M. Montgomery and her "Anne of Green Gables" books. I spent 10 days on Prince Edward Island with a friend. We traveled all over the island

in a little black car, which turned red from the country roads, taking pictures, exploring the places the author had lived and soaking up the ambiance in tea rooms and other places dear to L.M. Montgomery. The project I turned in to my professor weighed more than my son did when he was born!

You lend one of your favorite books to a friend. They return the book with a cracked spine and dog-eared pages. Do you address the issue? Please select one answer.

A. Who cares! It's a Friends after all.

B. No, I wouldn't say anything, but it would annoy me all day.

And it lasted even longer! It was a book which I had autographed by the author at SLCL and my friend took it on a plane and lost it! She replaced it with another copy, but that's not the same as an autographed one.

C. Yes, I would be upfront with my disappointment.

D. Irrelevant, I would never lend a book.

Not only did you forget that book club is at your house, you didn't even read the book. What do you do? Please select one answer.

A. Don't admit anything. Maybe no one will notice

B. Peruse the book club discussion questions to piece together a plotline. When you're trying to be a good hostess you can fake just about anything. I'm good at filling in!

C. Admit it you haven't read the book right out of the gate.

D. Confess you haven't read the book, but out another member of not reading the book as well.

Online Holiday Auction

November 26–December 3

Holiday Gifts that support a great cause!

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Gifts and Tributes

The Library Foundation offers a special opportunity to honor and remember a loved one, friend or colleague. A donation at the Foundation recognizes and expresses your love and respect for a beloved individual while enhancing the Foundation's early childhood literacy programs. Please consider the Foundation for a tribute or memorial gift.

The following is a list of people who gave gifts or tributes between the dates of May 21, 2021 to September 14, 2021.

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Anonymous

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Upcoming author events

*Saturday, November 6
7:00 p.m.*

Mitch Albom

“The Stranger in the Lifeboat:
A Novel”

Favorite Author Series

IN-PERSON/TICKETED
MASKS REQUIRED FOR ALL
ATTENDEES



*Friday, November 12
7:00 p.m.*

John C. McManus

“Island Infernos: The US Army’s
Pacific War Odyssey, 1944”

Westfall Politics & History Series

IN-PERSON
MASKS REQUIRED FOR ALL
ATTENDEES



*Tuesday, November 16
7:00 p.m.*

Linda Greenhouse

“Justice on the Brink: The Death
of Ruth Bader Ginsburg, the
Rise of Amy Coney Barrett, and
Twelve Months that Transformed
the Supreme Court”

VIRTUAL



*Thursday, November 18
7:00 p.m.*

H.W. Brands

“Our First Civil War: Patriots
and Loyalists in the American
Revolution”

Westfall Politics & History Series

In conversation with historian
Alexis Coe

VIRTUAL



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