October is National Family History Month

Discover your roots! The Eureka Public Library houses numerous local history and genealogy resources to help you learn more about your family’s history. A guide to our resources is available at the library and online at www.eurekapl.org. Beginning October 1, a staff member with historical research and genealogy experience will be available to assist visitors with on-site research. Reference hours are Mondays from 9 to 11 am and by appointment. For those unable to visit the library, research is available by request. Extensive research services are available for a $10/hour donation. Email eurekaplinfo@gmail.com or call 309-467-2922 or more information.

Family History Day—Saturday, October 20, 10 am—1 pm

The Woodford County Historical & Genealogical Society will be presenting a three-hour genealogy extravaganza. There will be six educational programs focused on beginning to build your family tree, preserving photos, German immigration to central Illinois, Woodford County history, using census data, and Eureka Public Library’s genealogy and local history resources. In addition, a volunteer will be available to help participants explore the library’s online genealogy databases on the public computers. This event will be repeated at the El Paso Public Library on Saturday, November 3 from 10 am to 1 pm with the same programs and a look at El Paso’s genealogy and local history resources. No registration required. For more information, contact the library or the Woodford County Historical and Genealogical Society (www.wchisgensoc.org).

October History Program Highlights

• Peoria Author Tim Pletkovich: Civil War Fathers & WWII Sons—Thursday, October 11 at 6:30 pm
• Researching Women In Your Family Tree—Saturday, October 13 at 10 am
• Reagan Film Fest: The Hasty Heart (1949) —Monday, October 15 at 1:15 and 6:15 pm

The library will be closed on Wednesday, October 10 for lighting work. We apologize for any inconvenience.
OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS

More October Programs

- Android Smartphone Basics—Monday, October 1, 6:30 pm & repeated Thursday, October 11, 1:30 pm
- Craft Swap—Saturday, October 6, 9:30 am—12 pm
- Simmer Up To Soup—Tuesday, October 23, 6:30 pm
- Medicare Made Clear—Thursday, October 25, 6:30 pm
- Credit Score, Credit Report: What’s The Difference? —Monday, October 29, 6:30 pm

Friends of EPLD Annual October Shopping Trip

There are still seats available for the annual Friends of the Eureka Public Library District bus trip to the Chicago Premium Outlet Mall and Louis Joliet Mall on Tuesday, October 16. The cost is $50 per person. Bus leaves at 8 am from Liberty Bible Church and returns approximately 8:30 pm. Call the library to reserve your seat soon!

The Great American Read

Remember to cast your vote for Eureka’s favorite novel in our Great American Read contest! Check out our display featuring many of the top 100 books being profiled on PBS’ Great American Read program (Tuesdays, 7 pm, Channel 47). Pick up a handout listing all 100 books and cast your vote. Eureka’s top novel will be announced on October 23.

Try-It! Illinois

Now through November 30 you can access hundreds of online resources for free at the library. Thanks to partnerships between the Illinois State Library and participating electronic resource vendors, these subscription-based resources are free to library patrons for a limited time. Online resources include:

- Rosetta Stone
- Career Cruising
- Consumer Reports
- History and Genealogy Resources
- Historical Newspapers
- Hobbies and Crafts Reference Center
- Small Business Reference Center
- Small Engine Repair Reference Center
- and many, many more!

To see a full list of resources available to try and to receive a special login and password to access the collection, stop by the adult circulation desk!

Advocate Eureka Hospital Program

The Welcome Home! Community Services Series is giving area residents a chance to learn more about community services. The programs will be held at the library on Saturdays at 10 a.m. The next program on Saturday, October 27 will feature Advocate Eureka Hospital. Come learn about the hospital’s outpatient programs, specialist services, recent building addition, expanded access to Caterpillar employees, and have all of your questions answered. Free donuts and coffee will be provided! Register by October 26 by calling the library. Additional upcoming programs include Eureka Mayor Scott Zimmer (November 3) and Eureka Police Department (December 1).
NEW BOOKS & MOVIES

FICTION
F Brandenburg – The Composition of Honey (Local author)  
F Brunstetter – A Christmas Prayer  
F Byler – The Healing  
F Carlson – A Christmas by the Sea  
F Coble – Freedom’s Light  
F Coleman – Robert B. Parker’s Colorblind  
F Cussler – Shadow Tyrants  
F Edugyan – Washington Black  
F Flynn – Sharp Objects  
F Kenyon – Stygian  
F Kirkpatrick – Everything She Didn’t Say  
F Koontz – The Forbidden Door  
F Koontz – The Vision  
F Koontz – 77 Shadow Street  
F Kubica – When the Lights Go Out  
F Lewis – The First Love  
F McDaniel – Mr. and Mrs. American Pie  
F Mejia – Leave No Trace  
F Patterson – Juror #3  
F Peterson – In Times Gone By  
F Robb – Leverage in Death  
F Sawyer – Ours for a Season  
F Steel – In His Father’s Footsteps  
F Welch – Love & Luck

NONFICTION
248 EVA – Inspired  
649.1 MOR – Time to Parent  
796.357 MEG – The Cardinals Way  
793.09 GOO – Leadership in Turbulent Times  
920.073 PLE – Civil War Fathers: Sons of the Civil War in WWII (Local author)  
940.481 ORE – Nuns, Nazis, and Notre Dame (Local author)

DVDS & BLU-RAYS
DVD 3793 S – Summer Love  
DVD 3803 N – NCIS: Season 14  
DVD 3805 M – Men Who Built America: Frontiersman (Nonfiction)  
DVD 3806 S – Sons of Liberty (Nonfiction)  
DVD 3812 G & B – B-R 470 G – God’s Not Dead  
DVD 3816 W – Wonderstruck  
DVD 3817 C – Cast Away  
DVD 3818 S – Semi-Pro  
DVD 3819 H – Handmaid’s Tale: Season 1  
DVD 3820 B – Blue Bloods: Season 8  
DVD 3821 F & B-R 471 F – The 15:17 to Paris  
DVD 3822 B – Book Club  
DVD 3823 W – Won’t You Be My Neighbor?

CHILDREN’S DVD
DVD 3813 S CH – Sunny Day  
DVD 3814 V CH – Vampirina  
DVD 3815 B CH – Beverly Hills Chihuahua 2

A BIG thank you to our Eureka Middle School volunteers! Along with Ms. Smith, we had 12 8th graders that scrubbed fences, pulled weeds, dusted shelves, prepared craft packets and Taste of Eureka bags on September 21! What a great community service day for all of us!
CHILDREN’S LIBRARY NEWS

CREEP-OUT DAY!
MONDAY, OCTOBER 8
1 – 2:45 PM

School kids should flock to the library to hear Creepy Pair of Underwear! and Creepy Carrots!, followed by the feature presentation of Hotel Transylvania. Kids can bring a drink, snack and something to sit on if they want. This event is for school-age kids only.

New Program!
A lapsit story time for babies up to 18 months old
OCTOBER 3RD, 17TH, & 31ST @ 9 AM
SIGN UP NOW!

GREAT APPLE CRUNCH

Thursday
October 11
3:15 – 4 pm
Apple Stories
Apple Tasting
Apple Crafts
And More

Grades 1-3

Read for the Record

The Children’s Library will be participating in a world-wide event during the week of October 22-27. The book Maybe Something Beautiful by F. Isabel Campoy will be featured for every Preschool Story Time and class visit that week. Eureka children will be included in the hundreds of thousands of children who have the book read to them during this special week.

TRICK-OR-TREAT
Wednesday, October 31
10-11 am and 4-5 pm
at the LIBRARY
"HATS OFF" TO
NEW CHILDREN’S BOOKS

Just some of the new books in the children’s library!

**Picture Books:**
- Applesauce Day, Lisa Amstutz
- The Pout-Pout Fish and the Can’t Sleep Blues, Deborah Diesen
- We Don’t Eat Our Classmates, Ryan T. Higgins
- Sneeze, Big Bear, Sneeze!, Maureen Wright
- How Do Dinosaurs Learn to Read?, Jane Yolen

**Easy Readers:**
- Leaves, Melvin and Gilda Berger
- Pumpkins, Melvin and Gilda Berger
- I See a Leaf, Grace Maccarone

**Boardbooks:**
- Jungle Gym, Jennifer Sattler

**Fiction:**
- Into the Lion’s Den, Linda Fairstein (Devlin Quick Mystery)
- Kristy’s Big Day, Ann M. Martin (Baby-Sitters Club Graphic Novel)
- The Relic War, Stel Pavlou (Daniel Coldstar)

Pumpkin Time
Pumpkin time is here again,
Time to play Trick or Treat.
Pumpkin time is here again,
Our spooky friends we’ll meet.

See the costumes we have on.
Monsters, ghosts, goblins too.
See the costumes we have on,
Hear us all shout “Boo!”
OCTOBER PROGRAMS

Monday, October 1, 6:30 pm, Basics of Your Android Smartphone  Want to really learn and be confident on how to use your android smartphone? Join Nancy Komlanc for a workshop on android smartphone basics. Topics covered include learning how to organize the home screen to make it less confusing, increasing font size for texting, saving money by using the WiFi, setting up speed dialing, checking voice mail, sending a text, adding photos, the importance of keeping your phone charged and sanitized, and more. This workshop is geared towards people over 50, and participants will receive step-by-step instructions to take home. Workshop fee is $15. Bring your smartphone to the workshop to make these phone adjustments. Space is limited; contact the library to register. Workshop will be repeated on Thursday, October 11 at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 2, 9 am—12 pm, Heart of Illinois Knitters  Looking for a daytime knitting and handcraft group? Stop in and join this informal group of crafters and enjoy each other’s company as you work on your own project. The group meets the first Tuesday of each month. Not able to make it at 9? Feel free to stop by anytime.

Tuesdays, October 2, 16, and 30, 5:30—8 pm, Sit and Stitch  Join fellow knitters, crocheters, needleworkers, and crafters for this informal gathering. We enjoy each other’s company as we work on our own projects and help each other with pattern ideas and projects gone awry! The group will gather starting at 5:30 pm at the library on the first, third, and fifth Tuesdays each month. Not able to make it at 5:30? Stop by anytime between 5:30 and 8 pm.

Tuesdays, October 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 5—7 pm, Homework Help  Brian Boggs of Eureka is offering free tutoring and homework help for high school and middle school students in the subjects of math, science, history, and English. Students can attend 30 minute one-on-one help sessions each Tuesday evening when school is in session. Walk-ins are welcome, but priority will be given to students who make appointments. Parents and families are welcome to sit in on the sessions. Contact the library to register for an appointment. For more information, contact Brian Boggs at homeworkhelp@mediacommb.net.

Wednesdays, October 3, 17, and 31, 9 am, Baby Bookworms  There is a new story time geared toward babies! Baby Bookworms is open to babies up to 18 months old. Babies and their caregivers will enjoy stories, songs, and more. Space is limited; call the library to register.

Saturday, October 6, 9:30 am—12 pm, Craft Swap!  Have extra craft supplies in need of a good home or looking for some free craft supplies for a fall project? Come to the library’s craft swap! Have fun mingling with fellow crafters and discover new treasures. Donations will be accepted October 1—5 or the morning of the swap. Donations should be clean and new or gently used. Any remaining supplies will be donated to the Et Cetera Shop.

Monday, October 8, 10 am, 3 M Mystery Book Club  Join the 3 M Mystery Book Club to help solve crimes of mystery, mayhem, and murder! The 3 M Mystery Book Club meets the second Monday of each month to discuss their favorite authors, what they are currently reading, and different themes and authors within the mystery and suspense genres. For the October meeting, participants will be discussing husband and wife duo Jonathan & Faye Kellerman.

Monday, October 8, 3:30—5 pm, Middle School Paper Crafters  Does your middle school-aged child enjoy making cards, scrapbooking, or craft projects? Instructors Danielle Husted and Debi Smith teach participants different decoration techniques using a variety of fun paper designs. In October the group will be creating a party mask and decorative clips. This is a free program, but registration is limited to 10 participants. Register by October 6.

Monday, October 8, 6:30 pm, Make & Take Cards Night  Join instructor Debi Smith for a fun night of paper crafting at the library. You will make two to three different types of cards and take your creations home at the end of the evening. Class fee is $2. Register by calling the library by October 6.
OCTOBER PROGRAMS

Tuesday, October 9, 5:30—8 pm, Wool Ewe Join Us Rug Hookers Do you enjoy rug hooking or other fiber arts? Join the Wool Ewe Join Us Rug Hookers group at the library for some quality craft time the second Tuesday of each month. Open to the public, you can drop in anytime and work on your own project in the company of fellow fiber enthusiasts. For more information, call Linda deFreese at 309-830-2626.

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Thursday, October 11, 6:30 pm, Civil War Fathers: Sons of the Civil War in World War II Peoria author Tim Pletkovich will be sharing his book about World War II veterans whose fathers fought in the Civil War. The book developed out of a research project Pletkovich started with his middle school social studies students. Pletkovich will discuss how the sons grew up with elderly Civil War fathers during the 1920s and 1930s and how the difficult years of the Great Depression did much to prepare them for their own military service. Pletkovich's presentation will focus on the father-son combination of Wisconsin Governor William H. Upham and his son Fred. Currently a resident of Fort Collins, Colorado, Fred was featured three years ago in a National Geographic video concerning his father’s first meeting with President Lincoln during the Civil War. The meeting between Upham and Lincoln led to the former’s appointment to West Point in 1862. Copies of the book will be available for sale and signing at the event. Register at the library by October 9.

Saturday, October 13, 10 am, The Who, What, When, and How of Researching Women in your Family Tree Tracing the female side of your family tree can be a bit difficult and frustrating, but is also one of the most rewarding challenges of genealogy research. In this free workshop, Karen Heinrich, MA, MLIS, professional genealogist and lecturer with over 18 years’ experience, will explore alternative strategies to use to find records women did leave behind. Come learn about where you can find sources and documentation on your female ancestors. Register by Oct. 11.

Monday, October 15, 11:15 & 6:15 pm, Ronald Reagan Film Fest: The Hasty Heart Calling all classic movie and Ronald Reagan fans! The Eureka Library is celebrating the 90th anniversary of Reagan enrolling in Eureka College with a monthly movie showing this fall. The October film is The Hasty Heart (1949). Set in a M.A.S.H. unit in Burma during the final days of World War II, Scottish soldier Lachlan MacLachlan (Richard Todd) is shot in the lower back and needs to be treated before he can return home. His stay is lengthened, however, and when his nurse (Patricia Neal) asks why, she learns that his wound is fatal. With the help of an American patient (Ronald Reagan), the staff and other patients at the hospital try to make the Scot's final days happy. But things get ugly when he learns the truth. Free popcorn and water; call to register.

Thursday, October 18 , 3—5 pm, Sewing Guild Join the Eureka Chapter of the American Sewing Guild as they share sewing techniques, respond to each other's questions, and show their latest sewing projects. If you are new or experienced to sewing, you are welcome to join the group. For information, call Robin Staudenmeier 309-370-2696.

Thursday, October 18, 6:30 pm, Writer’s Circle Have you thought about becoming an author, would like to write down your family’s stories, or simply love to express yourself through writing? Join this informal writer’s group to share your ideas and writings. Members offer positive support, feedback when requested, and incentive to keep writing. This group meets on the third Thursday evening each month.
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Tuesday, October 23, 6:30 pm, Simmer Up To Soup A bowl of homemade soup on a cold day can be a comforting meal. Jenna Smith, Nutrition & Wellness Educator with University of Illinois Extension, will teach participants how to make a variety of soups, while exploring ways to control the sodium and fat. Take home a packet of recipes and enjoy a tasting of a warm and tasty soup. Class fee is $3. Registration required; please call the library by October 20.

Thursday, October 25, 10 am, Book Chat Love to read? Stop by the library to share your love for reading with like-minded others. Library staff will share what’s new on the shelves and what’s being published the next month. Participants will share what they’ve been reading recently and help advise the library on new selections based on a review of the latest LibraryReads list. Join this informal, fun group of book lovers and help select new releases.

Thursday, October 25, 6:30 pm, Medicare Made Clear A free informational presentation, "Medicare Made Clear," will be offered at the library. This is ideal for anyone desiring updated information on Medicare Parts A-D or Medicare Supplements. All are welcome and preregistration is available by contacting the library at 309-467-2922. For further information, please contact Julie Bicksler at 309-231-5371 or at bixmix7@gmail.com. This event is for educational purposes only and no specific company's plan details will be shared.

Saturday, October 27, 10 am, Welcome Home! Community Services Series: Advocate Eureka Hospital Do you know what outpatient programs and specialist services Advocate Eureka Hospital offers? Attend this free program and learn about the wide variety of health services offered, the recent hospital building addition, and expanded access to Caterpillar employees. Donuts and coffee will be provided. Register by October 26.

Monday, October 29, 6:30 pm, Credit Score, Credit Report: What’s The Difference? Credit is a multilayered topic. It is a struggle for many of us to understand some of the terms associated with credit and the effects of using credit. This free workshop, presented by University of Illinois Extension Consumer Economics Educator Camaya Wallace Bechard, focuses on understanding the difference between a credit score and a credit report. It also examines some of the key components that lenders consider, and it focuses on the benefits, challenges, and misconceptions of credit. To register, contact the library by October 26. If you have any questions about this workshop, please contact Bechard at cawb17@illinois.edu or (309) 663-8306.

Mark Your Calendar! November—December 2018 Programs

Visit www.eurekapl.org and click on Adult Program Calendar to see a listing of special programs planned for the rest of 2018. The list is located below the October programs.