

## Have a Fabulous Fall @ the Library

We're looking forward to an exciting fall season at the Library with a great array of events and activities. If you like to do crafts, discuss books, watch movies, take photos, learn about local history, or hear from experts on some topics that will enrich and improve your life, take a few minutes to look through this newsletter and see what the Library has to offer. We hope to see you here often!

***Ask the Expert*** – Join these speakers as they share their expertise:

**Thursday, September 30 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.**

**What's in the Box: behind the scenes in textile storage** – Mary Louise Brown, Curator for the Madison County Historical Museum and Archival Library, and Jennifer Walta, graduate intern at the Museum, will discuss the textile collection at the Museum and provide lots of tips about storing your own vintage textiles. This program is sponsored by the *Edwardsville Library Friends*.

**Thursday, October 14 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.**

**Route 66 in Madison County by Cheryl Eichar Jett** – Join the author for a discussion about her new book and some fascinating local history. Books will be available for sale. This event is sponsored by the *Madison County Genealogical Society* and the Edwardsville Library.

**Wednesday, November 10 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.**

**Leclaire by Cindy Reinhardt** -- Join the author for a discussion about her new book and an important part of Edwardsville's history. Books will be available for sale. This event is sponsored by the *Madison County Genealogical Society* and the Edwardsville Library.

**Wednesday, November 10 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.**

**The Importance of Organizing Documents** – Are you overwhelmed with financial records, insurance policies, decisions about what papers to keep and for how long? What are the legal considerations about paperwork and planning for the future? Wilma Schmitz from the Area Agency on Aging of Southwestern Illinois and Kathleen Fleshren from the Land of Lincoln Legal Assistance Foundation will present valuable information to help you make informed decisions. We'll also be doing random drawings for coupons to have your excess personal papers shredded at Office Max.

***Have Fun with Some Crafts*** –

**Saturday, October 2 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

**Indian Corn** – Yvette Booker and Jenece Brown will guide participants through the process of creating beautiful woven Indian corn. The cost is \$30 per person which covers all of the supplies. Bring a sack lunch, and the Library will provide beverages and snacks. Attendance is limited and registration is required. Anyone under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult. The \$30 fee must be paid at the time of registration. **Please stop by the Library starting at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, September 13 to register.**

**Thursday, October 7 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.**

**T-Shirt Reconstruction (open to anyone over age 18)** – Bring an old t-shirt and transform it into a new tote bag. The program is free, but attendance is limited and **registration is required**. **Please call 692-7556 or stop by the Library starting at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, September 13 to register.**

**Saturday, November 20 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.**

**Get Ready for the Holidays** – Laura Schmidt will teach us how to make hand stamped Christmas cards, gift bags, and gift tags. All supplies will be provided for each person to make 10 cards, 2 gift bags, and 10 gift tags. The program is free, but attendance is limited and **registration is required. Please call 692-7556 or stop by the Library starting at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, September 13 to register.**

**Photo Contest** – Our 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Photo Contest will get underway on Monday, October 4. We'll be accepting and displaying photos throughout October and judging will be in early November. Rules for the contest will be available in the Library and on our website in mid-September.

***Have Fun Reading --***

Join Library staff this fall for the “**Books You Always Meant to Read**” series. Anyone over the age of 18 is welcome. Read the books and join us for snacks and lively discussions! This series is separate from our monthly Monday evening book discussion group.

**Thursday, September 16 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. *Catch-22* by Joseph Heller**

**Thursday, October 21 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. *Frankenstein* by Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley**

**Thursday, November 11 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. *Beloved* by Toni Morrison**