

# Christian County Library

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## *April 2011 Classes, Programs, and News*



### **New! Downloadable eBooks and Audiobooks at CCL**

Christian County Library cardholders now have access to Overdrive through Missouri Libraries 2 Go, a system that includes a collection of digital books and audiobooks. Library patrons can browse, "check out," and download to compatible devices.

To use it, you'll need a current Christian County Library card with less than \$5.00 in fines and compatible device: an e-reader, smart phone, or MP3 player, for example. You can check if your device is compatible at <http://www.overdrive.com/resources/drc/>. Android, iPhone, and iPad users can download the Overdrive app for free. Users of other devices will need a computer and Overdrive's free software, which you can download at <http://www.molib2go.org/>. This is also the website where you can browse for and check out books, and learn how to use Overdrive with their My Help feature.

If an item you want is checked out to someone else, you can place it on hold and you'll be notified when it becomes available. You'll never incur late fees or need to remember to return your book. It simply disappears from your device when it's due back. Check out periods are seven or fourteen days, and you can have up to five digital books checked out at time.

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### **Library Community Courses**

*Library Community Courses provide free or low cost lifelong learning opportunities for the citizens of Christian County. All courses meet in the Dorothy K. Netzer Meeting Room at the Christian County Library.*

### **Books and Literature**

#### **Moment in Time**

Saturday, April 2nd, 1-2 p.m. Missouri author Ilene Bates from the author's group Ozarks Homegrown Books wrote *Moment in Time*. She'll discuss her experience writing and publishing her historical romance, a blend of time travel, Scottish burr, and true love. Book signing will follow. Registration required. Call (417)581-2432.

#### **Three Feet to Now: My American Journey**

Saturday, April 2nd, 2-3 p.m. Missouri author Don Schmedmeke from the author's group Ozarks Homegrown Books will discuss his experience writing and publishing his autobiography, *Three Feet to Now: My American Journey*, which paints a picture of a contemporary American man doing all he can to build a life and thrive in Post-War America. Preceded by a book signing. Registration required. Call (417)581-2432.

#### **Read the Movie Book Club: *Angels and Demons* Film Screening**

**and Book Discussion** Saturday, April 23rd, 10 a.m.-1:00 p.m. We'll read the novel *Angels and Demons* by Dan Brown during the month of April, then meet to watch the movie and discuss the novel and its film adaption. Registration required. Call (417)581-2432.

### **Computers and Technology**

#### **Microsoft Word 2007 Basics**

Saturday, April 2nd, 10-11 a.m. Learn basic word processing tasks in Microsoft Word 2007, including creating, printing, and saving documents, formatting text, plus an overview of some of the more advanced features available in the program. Registration required. Call (417)581-2432.

### **Genealogy and History**

#### **Start Your Family Tree**

Saturday, April 30th, 10-11 a.m. Learn the basics of tracing your family history. This class is for anyone who would like to start working on their genealogy, and those who would like to get the work that they have already done organized in order to continue their research. Registration required. Call (417)581-2432.

## ***CCL Friends of the Library Book Sale Begins in April***

The Christian County Friends of the Library is gearing up for its twice-yearly book sale. It promises to be a big one. The group, formed in 1980 to support the Christian County Library, holds spring and fall book sales in the library's meeting room. The next sale runs **April 9th-16<sup>th</sup>, noon to 8 p.m. during the week and 8:30-5 p.m. on Saturdays**. Thursday and Friday are half-price days. The last Saturday is a \$2-per-bag sale. The library accepts donations of books, magazines, and audio and video items throughout the year. Some titles are added to the library's collection. The Friends of the Library sell the rest during the week-long sale, their primary fundraiser.

Friends president Elizabeth Barns, part of the group since 2004, says there are often new or barely used materials for sale. She even starts her Christmas shopping during the October sale, saying "I have always been able to find something. There are craft books and kids books for my grandchildren, religious books, and novels. There really is something for everyone."

Anyone can join the Friends of the Library. Membership costs

just \$5 per family annually. Members may shop the book sale Friends Night, before the sale opens to the public. You can join the Friends of the Library anytime by visiting the Christian County Library, or you can join at the door on Friends Night, Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup> from 7-9 p.m. Barns says the group needs volunteer members to help set up and staff the sale. If interested, contact the library at (417)581-2432.

Membership dues and book sale proceeds support the library. Major annual projects funded by the Friends include the Summer Reading Program for children and teens and the library's participation in business expos. The Friends also pay for the library's monthly Movie Days, maintain the outdoor plantings around the library, and provide a staff luncheon during National Library Week each year. Recently, the group started a popular drawing for seasonal gift baskets. Patrons visiting the library can enter to win throughout the year. The best part of being part of the Friends of the Library, says Barns: "[The library has] become a home away from home for me."

## ***CCL Programs for Children, Teens, and Families: April 2011***

### ***Preschool Storytime***

Stories, songs, and crafts help develop early literacy skills. Geared toward 3-5 year olds. Younger children welcome.

- Tuesdays and Wednesdays, April 5th-April 27th, 10:30 a.m.

### ***Storytime @ the OC***

Join Miss Lucinda from the Christian County Library for storytime at the Ozark Community Center.

- Thursdays, April 7th-April 28th, 9:15 a.m.

### ***Pets as Listeners***

Bring young readers to our PALS program to read to Missy, a dog specially trained by Pet Therapy of Ozarks. Similar programs have seen students who are reading below grade level raise their competency to at or above grade level. Children are more comfortable reading to a pet who never makes fun of them, never corrects them, and always enjoys their time together. Registration required. Call (417)581-2432.

- Monday, April 11th, 4:00 p.m.
- Monday, April 25th, 4:00 p.m.



### ***Movie Day***

Saturday, April 23rd, 1:30 p.m. Join us for a free movie and free popcorn and punch. April's movie is ***Shrek Forever After*** (2010, rated PG). From IMDB.com: Rumpelstiltskin tricks a mid-life crisis burdened Shrek into allowing himself to be erased from existence and cast in a dark alternate timeline where Rumpel rules supreme.