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Pulitzer Prize-Winning Star Tribune

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Join us for TALK of the STACKS!

Talk of the Stacks is an award-winning author series. All events are free and open to the public at Hennepin County Library – Minneapolis Central. Doors open at 6:15pm. Seating is first come, first served.

Steve Sack: August 17, 2017 – 7pm Pulitzer Prize-Winning Star Tribune Editorial Cartoonist Launches New Book

Larry Olmsted: October 5, 2017 – 7pm Award-Winning Journalist and Health Expert Answers the Question, “What are You Really Eating?”

Chris Riemenschnieder: Nov. 2, 2017 – 7pm The Story of Minneapolis Music in Conversation with Daniel Corrigan and Danny Sigelman

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Thank you to the more than 300 Friends members who have contributed to our 2017 Library Campaign. Your donation generosity is already making a difference by providing more resources for critical programs like:

- Homework Help
- Senior Outreach
- Programs for Families Facing Incarceration
- Teen Tech Squad
- Special Collections... and MORE!

Please take part in this important campaign with a special donation on top of your annual membership gift to the 2017 Library Fund.

Thanks for supporting MORE opportunity at our Library this summer!

Vital Local History is Now Accessible to the Public Thanks to You Preservation and Digitization Effort Unprecedented in Size and Scope

Q&A with Ted Hathaway, Manager of James K. Hosmer Special Collections

How would you describe this project?

The project focuses on processing a large collection of 60,000 local newspaper photographs from 1915 to 1950. The goals of the project are to greatly improve public access and use of the photographs, and to ensure their long term preservation. Eventually, all photos will be publicly accessible via the Library’s recently launched digital collections platform.

Some are already available at:

hclib.org/browse/digital-collections

What is the most interesting photograph you’ve come across so far?

Wow - there are many! Among my favorites are photographs depicting liquor agents busting illegal stills, or people living in huts during the post-war housing shortage.

Why are these images so valuable to our community?

The photographs are originally from the Star Tribune and were used in all of the city’s major papers: The Journal, the Tribune, the Times, and the Star. They cover the people and events of a significant portion of the area’s history. From historians and authors to genealogists and researchers, many people will benefit from these images.

How has this project affected your understanding of local history?

Negatively, it’s an important reminder of how deeply-rooted racism has been throughout our history. When we encounter a photo of an African-American, they are frequently depicted as a criminal. Also, how narrowly defined women’s lives were and how few economic opportunities they had. On the positive, they serve as a window into how people entertained themselves and how much has changed since then.

Would this project be possible without Friends support?

This is a 6-7 year project and the bulk of the work is being performed by Friends-funded employees. Without Friends funding, its completion could never be imagined. This major project has become a focal point for our digitization efforts thanks to Friends funding.

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This spring, Friends of the Hennepin County worked with Stephanie Glaros, founder of Humans of Minneapolis, to capture some of the incredible, real-life stories that exist within the walls of our Library. The full gallery of 13 Humans of Hennepin County Library profiles can be found at supportHCLib.org.

Thank you for supporting programs like Homework Help so more transformational stories, like Aisha’s, are possible at our library!
Summer Learning Opportunities Grow with Your Support

Free Programs Inspire and Educate Children in 41 Neighborhoods

Each year when school comes to a close, many families look to the Library as an essential resource for fun, educational programs that are free and open to all. Powered by your support, Hennepin County Library is expanding these popular programs that encourage kids to read and learn during the critical summer months. In total, an astounding 858 summer learning events are taking place in our 41 library locations. Thanks to you, thousands of youth will be inspired to read, learn, and grow at our Library this summer!

You are helping children and teens...

- explore the natural world through camping, chemistry, botany and zoology.
- build a broad range of physical, social and cognitive skills while connecting with other gaming fans.
- be inspired to try something new and foster their creativity.
- learn a new technical skill to empower themselves as learners, inventors and artists.
- foster a love of reading in weekly discussion groups around topics such as favorite books, poetry, and writing.

Connect with Your Library this Summer

Programs Abound for Curious Adults

The Library also offers hundreds of exciting programs for adults over the summer months. From genealogy and book clubs to meditation and master gardening … there’s something for every taste and interest! Visit your local library location or HCLIB.org for more information.

Join us for our 2017-2018 Season of Pen Pals!

The highly acclaimed and longest-running literary series in the Twin Cities returns for its 21st season. Proceeds benefit Hennepin County Library.

**Emmy Award Winning Actor, Author and Director**

Tuesday, September 26 – 7:30pm / Wednesday, September 27 – 11am

Alan Alda has earned international recognition as an author, director and actor and is inductee of the Television Hall of Fame. In his new book, if I Understood You, Would I Have This Look on My Face?, Alda shares powerful lessons from the science of communication. **Each purchased ticket includes a copy of Mr. Alda’s latest book!**

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