

Basehor Community Library

December 2015

Friends Logo Contest Winner!



The Friends of the Basehor Library have a new logo, thanks to BLHS student Corbin Putman. Corbin heard about the contest for a new logo from Kristen Loney, the Graphic Design instructor at BLHS. For his winning design, Corbin received a \$25 gift card to Amazon and an Individual Lifetime Membership to the Friends.



Food Drive

Collecting donations through December

The 4-Winds Mahjongg group is sponsoring a food drive at the library to benefit the Basehor-Linwood Assistance Services (BLAS). Please donate non-perishable food items, paper products and personal care products. Special needs at this time are: canned chicken, tuna, cereal (hot and cold), shampoo, toilet paper, deodorant, crackers, soup, boxed potatoes, Hamburger Helper and kid's snacks. Place your items in the blue bucket inside the library or drop them off at the drive-up window. Please make sure your food donations are not beyond their expiration date. Thank you!



Write a Letter to Santa

The Basehor Library and the North Pole are teaming up to bring a "Santa Express" Mailbox to Basehor! Children can bring their letter for Santa to the Basehor Library to put in the mailbox through Thursday, December 17th. To get a return letter from Santa, children must include their name, age and return address.

You can also bring your letter to the Mayor's Christmas Tree Lighting on November 30th, even though Santa will be there to visit. The event will begin at 6:30 pm, with the lighting to take place at 7:00 pm. The location of the tree will be in the island area between the Sutton Law firm and Citizens Savings & Loan buildings. Hot chocolate and candy canes will be provided by the Lions Club. We'll also be collecting coats, hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, blankets, and stocking stuffers for BLAS.



Gingerbread House Craft

Wednesday, December 9
4:30-5:30 OR 6:30-7:30 pm
Kindergarten-5th Grade

The wait is OVER! Our annual Gingerbread House event is here! Kids in Kindergarten through 5th Grade will create their house using graham crackers, icing, candy, cookies, marshmallows, pretzels and lots of FUN! Registration is required. Signup begins Tuesday, December 1st.



mark your calendar

THURSDAY, DEC 17 @ 4:30-5:30PM
Gingerbread House Contest • For Teens

SATURDAY, DEC 19 @ 12:00-4:30PM
Kansas City Symphony Christmas Festival Concert • Our bus is now full

MONDAY, JAN 4 @ 12:00-2:00PM
Readers Theater • 3rd-5th Graders

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

WEDNESDAY, DEC 23 • Closing at 5 pm
THURSDAY, DEC 24 • All Day
FRIDAY, DEC 25 • All Day
THURSDAY, DEC 31 • Closing at 1 pm
FRIDAY, JAN 1 • All day



HOURS: Mon-Thurs 9am-8pm ◉ Fri-Sat 9am-5pm ◉ Sun 1pm-5pm

Adults

Come to Writer's Group!

Tuesday evenings @ 6:30-8:00 pm

Have you thought about writing your family stories or finally getting started on that novel? The Basehor Writer's Group is a very casual, welcoming group - give it a try! For more info email the group's facilitator at tmus55@aol.com or call the library.

Social Security Advice That Benefits You

Wednesday, December 2 @ 6:30-7:30 pm



Gary Walker of Lawing Financial will be at the library to present a short program about Social Security. Join us to learn about: How to apply for Social Security, when should you start taking benefits, and how Social Security benefits are taxed. You've worked hard for a comfortable retirement. Make sure you know how to coordinate Social Security benefits into your overall retirement strategy. **Registration is requested.**

Book TALK

Friday, December 11 @ 10:00-11:30 am

Reservation Blues by Sherman Alexie

We finish our fall series "Urban Indians: Native American Writers of the 1990s" with a novel by Sherman Alexie, a member of the Spokane tribe. When a blues musician passes his legendary guitar to Thomas Builds-the-Fire, a magical odyssey begins as Thomas and his all-Indian band ride their rock-and-roll dreams to the reservation bars and beyond. Copies of the book are available at the library. Our discussion leader is Caryn Miriam-Goldberg. Please join us for a fascinating discussion.

Coffee Klatch

Monday, December 14 @ 9:30-10:30 am

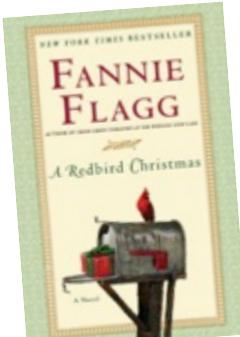
Come enjoy a cup of coffee and something sweet to nibble while we share the books we have been reading. Laura will book talk some of the new books available here at the library. Find out what others are reading and recommending, and maybe discover a title you missed!



Thursday Evening Book Club

Thursday, December 17 @ 6:30-8:00 pm

A Redbird Christmas by Fannie Flagg



Deep in the southernmost part of Alabama lies the sleepy little community known as Lost River, a place that time itself seems to have forgotten. After a startling diagnosis from his doctor, Oswald T. Campbell leaves behind the cold and damp of Chicago to spend what he believes will be his last Christmas in the warm and welcoming town of Lost River. There he meets the postman who delivers mail by boat, the storeowner who nurses a broken heart, the ladies of the Mystic Order of the Royal Polka Dots Secret Society, and a little redbird named Jack, who is at the center of this magical Christmas tale. Copies of the book are available at the library. Please join us for our discussion. You may bring a snack to share if you wish.

Join in the Fun!

Mahjongg

Monday evenings @ 5:30-8:00 pm

Friday afternoons @ 1:00-4:00 pm

*No Mahjongg Friday, Dec 25th and Jan 1st

4-Winds Mahjongg meet twice a week at the library and would love to have you join them! Monday evenings are for experienced players. If you want to learn the game (or just need a little extra help), come Fridays.

The first Friday of each month is dedicated to "Introducing Mahjongg" and your chance to learn the game. From 1:00-3:00, Suzie will work with you on the fundamentals and rules of the game. From 3:00-4:00 you will get a chance to play with knowledgeable players. The rest of the month on Fridays you can strengthen your skills and really "get your game on." Then, please, join us on Mondays for an evening of fast and fun Mahjongg. **The cost of the tutorial packet is \$5.00. Be sure to register at the library before you begin your Friday classes.**

Yoga (is for Every Body!)

Monday mornings @ 9:30-10:30 am

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Yoga is an on-going class. Each class is \$10.00. Please pay the instructor. Deep stretch. Lengthen and strengthen your muscles and develop flexibility. Must be able to get onto the floor. Please bring a yoga set (block, strap & mat).

PiYo

Thursday evenings @ 6:30-7:30 pm

*No class Thursday, Dec 24th and Dec 31st

PiYo is an on-going class. A combination of yoga and Pilates. For the beginning or advanced student. Please bring a yoga mat. 10 class punch card (\$45) or \$5.00 per class. No registration is required.

Zumba Gold

Friday mornings @ 9:00-10:00 am

*No class Friday, Dec 25th and Jan 1st

Zumba Gold is an on-going class. This is the Zumba class for the older adult or anyone new to Zumba. All the fun of Zumba at a slower pace. 10 class punch card (\$45) or \$5 per class.



20's & 30's

Books n' Beverages Book Club

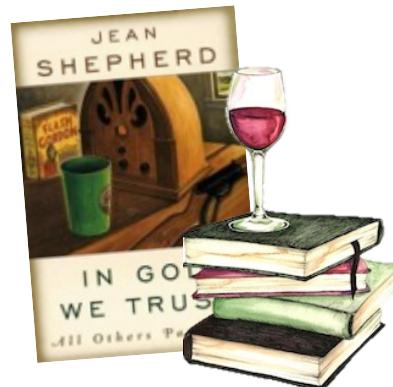
Thursday December 10 @ 7:00 pm

Stix at Legends

Join us for our Twenties n' Thirties book discussion of *In God We Trust: All Others Pay Cash* by Jean Shepherd. For many years a cult radio personality, Jean Shepherd was the creator and narrator of the popular film, "A Christmas Story", which is based in part on his book *In God We Trust*.

New York-based writer Ralph Parker has returned home to Hohman, Indiana as an adult and recounts memories of growing up with his childhood friend, Flick. Ralph brings up a variety of incidents (no spoilers here!) - some instantly recognizable and some not so much, but just as entertaining. Take part in this fantastic collection of witty, nostalgic Americana of a simpler time when life was good, fun was clean, and station wagons roamed the earth.

We'll meet at 7:00 pm at Stix at Legends. Order drinks, have dinner, or just snack on some appetizers. The book is available at the front desk at the library. Since we meet at a restaurant just let us know if you'd like to attend (even if you haven't read the book). Contact Amy at the library if you have any questions.



Teens

Video Game Night

Tuesday, December 1 @ 4:00-5:30 pm

Face off against other teens! Play games on our Xbox and Wii consoles or bring your Nintendo DS to link with other teens.



Teen Writer Wednesday

Wednesdays @ 4:00-5:30 pm

Dec 2 • Dec 9 • Dec 16

Do you enjoy writing? Then join our group. We'll play games, tell stories, and there will be quiet time to write whatever you'd like. If you need or want input from other teens about a story you can do that here too, but don't worry, sharing is not required.

Flexible Book Club

Thursday, December 3 @ 4:30-5:30 pm

Do you enjoy reading but like to choose your own books? This is the club for you! Read whatever you like and come ready to eat snacks and hear about books others have been reading.

TAG Meeting

Tuesday, December 8 @ 4:30-5:30 pm

Teen Advisory Group meets once a month to plan and shape the teen program at the library.



Teen Board Game Night

Thursday, December 10 @ 4:00-5:30 pm

Enjoy the ultimate retro-gaming! What do you enjoy? Uno? Sorry? Clue? Choose from our selection or bring your own!

Anime Club

Tuesday, December 15 @ 4:00-5:30 pm

Like anime? Join the club! Watch and discuss anime with other fans.

Gingerbread House CONTEST

Thursday, December 17th

4:30-5:45 pm

6th-12th Grade

Edible art! Who can create the best gingerbread house? Face off against other teens in a delicious contest. After, take home the results to display or... enjoy with a plate and fork!



Book Page Wreath

Tuesday, December 22

4:30-5:45 pm

6th-12th Grade

Repurpose old books with this simple craft that can be a nice addition to your wall or a great gift for the holidays.

Babies - 5th Grade

LEGO Robotics Classes

2nd-5th Grade

LEGO Robotics uses LEGO bricks in combination with a simple computer program that allows kids to build models featuring working motors and sensors.

Registration begins December 1st.



BEGINNER CLASSES:

- Monday, December 21 @ 11:00 am-12:30 pm
- Monday, December 28 @ 11:00 am-12:30 pm
- Monday, January 4 @ 11:00 am-12:30 pm

ADVANCED CLASSES:

(Must take Beginners Class first)

- Monday, December 21 @ 10:00-11:00 am
- Tuesday, December 22 @ 1:00-2:00 pm
- Monday, December 28 @ 10:00-11:00 am
- Tuesday, December 29 @ 1:00-2:00 pm
- Monday, January 4 @ 10:00-11:00 am

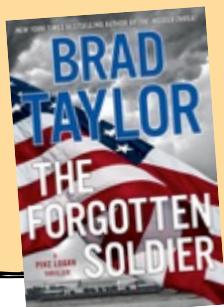
LEGO Club

Wednesday, December 30 @ 4:00-5:30 pm

Kindergarten-5th Grade

We provide the LEGOs... children provide the imagination... everyone has FUN!

Special Interest



Here are some of the new titles to watch for in December. You can place them on hold now!

- Ashley Bell (Dean Koontz)
Precious Gifts (Danielle Steel)
Secret Sisters (Jayne Ann Krentz)
The Bone Labyrinth (James Rollins)
Tom Clancy Commander-in-Chief (Mark Greaney)

- The Forgotten Soldier (Brad Taylor)
House of the Rising Sun (James Lee Burke)
Anything for You (Kristan Higgins)

