

Children of the Promised Land

Tuesday, February 9 @ 6:30 p.m.

Nicodemus, a small, unincorporated town in Graham County, is the only remaining western town established by African Americans during the Reconstruction Period following the Civil War. Today the town is a National Historic Site. Our program will feature Angela Bates, who is the executive director and past president of the Nicodemus Historical Society.

This pictorial history of Nicodemus explores the unique experience of mothers and their children, some of whom were the first members of their families born free. We will explore the dynamics of child-rearing during and after slavery, stories of children conceived in slavery but born free, and how baby names were changed or used to reflect attitudes about free-born children. You can participate in the presentation in-person or online with Zoom. If you choose to attend at the library, we will all be wearing masks and remain socially distanced.

Registration is required for both in-person and online participation. Please register online, call the library, or email patronupdate@basehorlibrary.org to register.



Thursday Evening Book Club

Thursday, February 25 @ 6:30-7:30 pm at the library
Fates and Furies by Lauren Groff



Every story has two sides. Every relationship has two perspectives. And sometimes, it turns out, the key to a great marriage is not its truths but its secrets. At the core of this rich, expansive, layered novel, Lauren Groff presents the story of one such marriage over the course of twenty-four years.

At age twenty-two, Lotto and Mathilde are tall, glamorous, madly in love, and destined for greatness. A decade later, their marriage is still the envy of their friends but, with an electric thrill, we understand that things are even more complicated and remarkable than they have seemed. With stunning revelations and multiple threads, and in prose that is vibrantly alive and original, Groff delivers a deeply satisfying novel about love, art, creativity, and power that is unlike anything that has come before it. Profound, surprising, propulsive, and emotionally riveting, it stirs both the mind and the heart. Copies of the book are available at the library. We will be having a socially-distanced, masked discussion. Contact the library if you'd like to join via Zoom.

We've Been Here Before: A Virtual Discussion of the Spanish Flu Pandemic with the National WWI Museum and Memorial

Wednesday, February 10 at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom

They say history doesn't repeat itself, but that it rhymes. This past year was an exceptional echo. In 1918-1919, our nation weathered and survived a pandemic that claimed over 600,000 lives in the United States. Join Lora Vogt of the National WWI Museum and Memorial for a moderated discussion on the 1918 flu pandemic and explore what we can learn from this moment in U.S. history.

The discussion will be moderated by Rimsie McConiga, reporter at the Platte County Citizen. There will be an opportunity to submit questions when you register for the program, or by email to herebefore@basehorlibrary.org by February 4. A live "chat" submission of questions will also be provided at the end of the discussion. The Zoom link to register is: <https://my.theworldwar.org/7712>. You can also find registration information on the library's website.

This program is a partnership with the public libraries in Atchison, Basehor, Bonner Springs, Lansing, Leavenworth, Linwood, and Tonganoxie.



Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, February 22 @ 11:30 - 5:30 pm

The need for blood and platelets is constant and ever-growing.



You can help by donating during the upcoming blood drive to be held here at the library. Please register through the Red Cross website with our zip code (66007). You must make an appointment as walk-ins will not be allowed. As a benefit to those who donate at this drive, the Red Cross is offering a free COVID-19 antibody test of your donation.



Just a reminder that the Friends of the Basehor Library will hold its annual meeting on February 8 at 6:30 pm.

The meeting will be held at the library, but you are welcome to join via Zoom. Just call or email the library to get the link. We hope you will continue to support the library by renewing your Friends of the Basehor Library membership for 2021. Please visit our website to renew your membership, find the Friends brochure, **schedule book donations**, and donate financially if you wish. We appreciate all our Friends!

We will be closed Monday, February 15 for President's Day

Available via phone and email: Mon-Thurs 9am-8pm © Fri-Sat 9am-5pm © Sun 1pm-5pm



2021 Adult Winter Reading Challenge **Read, Relax and Unwind**

January 1, 2021 through February 28, 2021

Sometimes, all you need is to sit and read a book to help you relax and unwind.

The 2021 Adult Winter Reading Challenge is an opportunity for adults to celebrate the enjoyment of leisure reading. Read five adult books in two months to earn your choice of one of three great prizes (while supplies last). You can get all the details, register and track your progress on our **Beanstack app**. Completing the challenge will also qualify you to be entered into the grand prize drawing of one of three \$50 gift cards.

Questions? Contact us at the library!

Dementia Support Group

Thursday, February 4 @ 6:30 pm in person and on Zoom

Join us in this safe, supportive environment for caregivers.

Dr. Martiza Buenaver, Geriatric Psychiatrist specializing in dementia education, is our guide. We have been meeting on Zoom and in person. Anyone is welcome to join us as we share our experiences. Please call the library for more information.



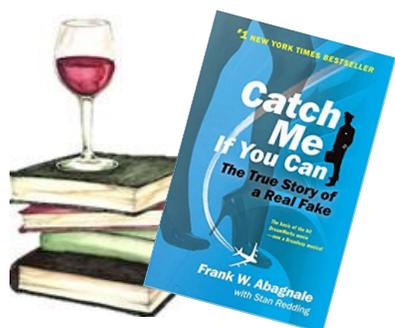
Coffee Klatch

Monday, February 8 @ 9:30-10:30 am in person

Sorry, no coffee (or teal!) at this time. But, please, do come and hear about some of the new books available here at the library. Learn what's hot at the library and maybe discover a title or two you missed. We will be socially-distanced and wearing masks. Contact the library if you'd like to join via Zoom.



20's & 30's



Books n' Beverages Book Club Thursday, February 11 @ 7:00 pm on Zoom *Catch Me If You Can* by Frank W. Abagnale

Frank W. Abagnale, alias Frank Williams, Robert Conrad, Frank Adams, and Robert Monjo, was one of the most daring con men, forgers, imposters, and escape artists in history. In his brief but notorious criminal career, Abagnale donned a pilot's uniform and copiloted a Pan Am jet, masqueraded as the supervising resident of a hospital, practiced law without a license, passed himself off as a college sociology professor, and cashed over \$2.5 million in forged checks, all before he was twenty-one.

Known by the police of twenty-six foreign countries and all fifty states as "The Skywayman," Abagnale lived a sumptuous life on the lam—until the law caught up with him. Now recognized as the nation's leading authority on financial foul play, Abagnale is a charming rogue whose hilarious, stranger-than-fiction international escapades and ingenious escapes - including one from an airplane - make *Catch Me If You Can* an irresistible tale of deceit.

The meeting will be held on Zoom. Contact Amy (aschaffer@basehorlibrary.org) if you would like the link.

Teens

Teen Tuesdays w/ Amy

Tuesdays, February 2, 9, 16 & 23 @ 3:30 pm on Zoom

In-person programs might be on hold for right now, but we have a solution to bring the Teen Program to you. Come chat with Amy every Tuesday at 3:30 pm. Hear about the newest books & comics and talk about whatever you'd like. If you'd like to join, email Amy at aschaffer@basehorlibrary.org for the weekly link.



Teen Teleparties

Wednesdays (Anime Club!) February 3, 10, 17 & 24 @ 3:30 pm

Thursdays February 4, 11, 18 & 25 @ 3:30 pm

Join us virtually each week on Wednesdays and Thursdays for a Netflix teleparty...we'll watch a movie and chat with each other while it streams. To join in, email Amy at aschaffer@basehorlibrary.org and you will be sent a link to the Netflix Teleparty close to the time of the meeting.



Participants must have a Netflix account and have the Teleparty extension downloaded on a Chrome browser. Need help? Let Amy know and she'll get you set up.



To get personalized help with SAT/ACT Prep, use your Basehor Library card to create your account at: tutor.com/basehor



Babies - 5th Grade

SPECIAL VALENTINE CRAFT:

Math Heart Lacing

February 12 @ 2:00 pm on Zoom

Pick up the craft bag of supplies at our drive-thru window or Children's Desk from February 1st-12th and then join us on Zoom to learn how to lace your very own math hearts! These hearts are not only an adorable Valentine's Day decoration for the home, but they are also a fun tool to practice math skills! The Zoom link will be provided in the craft bag of supplies. If you miss the program on Zoom, it will be recorded and made available on our BCL Buzz YouTube channel.



Choose between three sets of hearts for different math levels. (Pre-K to 1st or 2nd-4th or 5th-6th)

To-Go Crafts From Miss Becca!

Our to-go craft bags are available for pick-up through our drive-thru window or at the Children's Department desk.

Available February 1-14

The first to-go craft in February will be Love Bugs! How many legs will your wiggly love bug have? Don't forget to share the LOVE with us on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram.



You might just see your wiggly friend featured on one of our pages!

Available February 15-28

The second to-go craft in February is Monster Puppets. Using the provided materials, or materials you have at home, create a monster bag puppet that is sure to frighten any wild thing! Don't forget... We would love to meet your monster! Share a picture of your monster with us via Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram!



Crafts available until gone!

Storytimes with Sir Patrick

Facebook LIVE Storytimes Wednesdays and Thursdays @ 10:00-10:30 am

Wednesdays, starting February 3
Thursdays, starting February 4

We'll have lots of fun in February, starting with some of the great new books we have at the library. Of course, we'll celebrate Valentine's Day, and then explore some books in honor of Black History Month. We'll end the month with "all things blue." Each week, we'll learn a new word in sign language.



In-Person LIVE Storytimes

Tuesday, February 9 @ 10:00 am

Sign-up begins February 1

Tuesday, February 16 @ 10:00 am

Sign-up begins February 8

You read that right! Mr. Patrick has come up with a plan for having limited in person story time in the library! In our downstairs conference room, we'll set up some plots for your family to sit (blanket sized space). The plots will be spaced eight feet apart in all directions. Feel free to bring your own blanket.

Mr. Patrick will sit at the front and project his books up on the screen so they can be seen from any of the plots. Masks will be required for all those over the age of 3. **Space is very limited and you must register to attend!** You can register on our website calendar, or you can call or email us. Please let us know how many are coming by registering each child and caregiver attending.

Note: We will open the library at 9:45 if you want to browse and checkout some books before storytime.

VITA Tax services will be offered at the **Basehor Library** February 23, March 9, and March 16.

The tax service is provided to qualifying seniors free of charge by the Leavenworth County Council on Aging. Seniors must be 60+. Some restrictions apply. This service is **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**. Call Dawn or Marla at the Council on Aging (913) 684-0777.



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