

May 2022

Petroglyphs of the Kansas Smoky Hills

Wednesday, May 4 @ 6:30 pm

Too often Kansas history starts with Coronado's trip through the state in 1541. But centuries before European arrival, Native people lived on the plains, and some left behind rock carvings on soft sandstone in the middle of the state. Based on the book *Petroglyphs of the Kansas Smoky Hills*, this presentation focuses on these carvings, the people who made them, and what the carvings tell us about those people and their relationship to the land. This program will be presented by Rex Buchanan and Humanities Kansas.

Electronics Recycling and Paper Shredding with Secure E-Cycle

Saturday, May 7 @ 9:00 am-noon

Our annual electronics recycling event is the first Saturday of May. This year we will be offering free paper shredding, too.

What recycles? Anything that plugs in or runs on a battery. And the used batteries, too!

How much? Free, except for TVs (\$40) and monitors (\$25).

Secure E-Cycle has been offering secure recycling and data destruction in Kansas City for over 10 years.

Don't dump unwanted electronics. Do the GREEN thing and keep your electronics and unwanted paper out of the landfill!

Support for Veterans – Meet with VA Outreach Coordinator Sheli Sweeney

Tuesday, May 17 @ 10:00-11:00 am

Are you a veteran, spouse, or surviving spouse? VA Outreach Coordinator Sheli Sweeney will be available at the library to help you learn more about VA healthcare for veterans. She will be here every third Tuesday in our study room. No appointment is necessary, just drop by and chat with Sheli. Thank you, veterans, for your service.

Annual Container Gardening Class!

Sunday, June 5 @ 3:00 pm

It's time again for our spring tradition of hosting a container gardening class! This year it will be on Sunday afternoon and will be led by Master Gardener Jackie Lee. Bring your own pot, 12" or smaller. We will provide the soil and plants. The class fee is \$6.00. You need to register by June 1 so we know how many plants to purchase. Register online or by calling the library. One pot per person, please.

*We will be closed for Memorial Day
Sunday, May 29 and Monday, May 30*

Adult Bus Trip

Tuesday, June 7—Bus departs at 10:00 am and returns at 5:00 pm

\$30 per person - Lunch on your own @ City Market

Our summer bus trip will dive off of our summer reading theme, "Oceans of Possibilities." Join us as we visit SEA LIFE Aquarium, a self-guided, interactive aquarium located at Crown Center. The aquarium contains thousands of aquatic creatures, plus interactive touch pools and a 360° ocean tunnel.

After lunch on your own at City Market, a tour guide with Kansas City Fountain Tours will board our bus and lead us on "The Big Six Tour" of fountains. The tour includes six fountain stops where you will learn about the history, a few fun and quirky facts, and have the opportunity to take some great fountain photos.

Children 12 and over are welcome when accompanied by an adult.

Registration and pre-payment are required. Registration begins May 16th. Registration deadline is Friday, June 3rd.

One Book, Many Neighbors

Join us again this summer for the ever fascinating One Book, Many Neighbors program. Following the summer reading theme of "Oceans of Possibilities," we will be reading a series of sea stories. Then through June and July a different library in the area will be hosting a special activity or program. Sail the seven seas - seven stories, seven libraries, seven programs. Everyone is invited to everything.

Ready to launch? Pick up your packet of short stories and your passport at the Circulation Desk. There you will find all the details you need to help you sail through the tri-county area, Atchison to Tonganoxie. Attend as many programs as you wish and then join us for a Bon Voyage Party at Z & M Twisted Vines Winery on July 31. If you attend at least 4 programs, you will be eligible for the drawing of a gift basket. Join us for smooth sailing!

"Sea" What Summer Reading is All About!

Our librarians have been hard at work to make this year's Summer Reading Program special. We really think you'll have a whale of a good time with this year's theme, *Oceans of Possibilities*. More details to come in our June newsletter!

Adults



Coffee Klatch

Monday, May 9 @ 9:30 am

Please join us for coffee (or tea!) and something sweet to eat while we have a lively discussion about the new books here at the library. Learn what's hot and discover a new title or two.

We'll also share a little about the books we've been reading and recommending.

Can't make it, but would like to know what new books are available? Sign up for our e-mail alerts. You'll receive a list of all the new books and movies delivered directly to your inbox each week. Sign up on our website or give us a call, and we'll sign you up.

Blood Drive

Monday, May 2 @ 12:30-5:30 pm

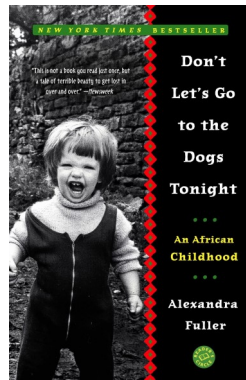
Mayday! Mayday! Blood donations are always needed! One blood donation can help save up to three lives. Sign up now at RedCrossBlood.org.

Thursday Evening Book Club

Thursday, May 26 @ 6:30 pm

Don't Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight: An African Childhood by Alexandra Fuller

In *Don't Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight*, Alexandra Fuller remembers her childhood on farms in the 1970's and 1980's in Rhodesia, Zambia and Malawi. Though it is a diary of an unruly life in an often inhospitable place, it is suffused with Fuller's endearing ability to find laughter, even when there is little to celebrate. In wry and sometimes hilarious prose, she stares down disaster and looks back with rage and love at the life of an extraordinary family in an extraordinary time. Copies of the books are available at the library. Please join us.



Fitness for Fun—Fitness for Life (55+)

Monday, May 2, 9, 16, and 23 @ 10:30-11:30 am

Thursday, May 5, 12, 19, and 26 @ 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Note: Class will be meeting on Thursdays instead of Fridays. In this class, we will use a combination of exercises and hand weights to help strengthen and tone all areas of the body. This is a fitness class, not an aerobics class and the skill level is designed for 55+. Our instructor is Paula Papst, Certified Fitness Trainer, ISSA. Please wear comfortable clothes & tennis shoes. Classes are free for all participants. There is no need to pre-register for the class, but please sign in when you attend.

There will be no class on May 30.



Monthly Groups

Council on Aging Community Outreach

Thursday, May 19

Drop by 9:00-10:00 am

The Leavenworth County Council on Aging will be here to answer your questions regarding services available to any person 60 or older regardless of income. For more information, contact the Council on Aging at (913) 684-0777.

SPECIAL EVENT BY THE COA!!

Indoor Senior Picnic Celebration @

Eagles Lodge in Leavenworth

For more information, call Scarlet Ross @ 913.684.0786

Dementia Support Group

Thursday, May 5 @ 6:30 pm

in person and on Zoom

Join us in this safe, supportive environment for caregivers. Dr. Maritza Buenaver, Geriatric Psychiatrist specializing in dementia education, will guide us as we share our experiences. We will meet on Zoom and in person. Anyone is welcome to join us. Please call the library for the Zoom link before the next meeting.

Mahjongg

Monday evenings @ 5:30-8:00 pm

Friday afternoons @ 1:00-4:00 pm

Mahjongg (American style), the Chinese game played with tiles, is sometimes compared to dominoes or the card game rummy. The 4 Winds Mahjongg League meets twice a week at the library. Come as often and as much as you like. Please note: The tables are reserved for experienced players. Would you like to learn how to play? We have an experienced player ready to teach newcomers. Give us a call at the library and we'll help you get started.

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? Give the Basehor Writer's Group a try! For more information, email the group's facilitator at tmus55@aol.com or call the library.

20's & 30's



Books n' Beverages Book Club

Thursday, May 12 @ 7:00 pm

The Sanatorium by Sarah Pearse

Half-hidden by forest and overshadowed by threatening peaks, Le Sommet has always been a sinister place. Long plagued by troubling rumors, the former abandoned sanatorium has since been renovated into a five-star minimalist hotel.

An imposing, isolated getaway spot high up in the Swiss Alps is the last place Elin Warner wants to be. But Elin's taken time off from her job as a detective, so when her estranged brother, Isaac, and his fiancée, Laure, invite her to celebrate their engagement at the hotel, Elin really has no reason not to accept.

Arriving in the midst of a threatening storm, Elin immediately feels on edge—there's something about the hotel that makes her nervous. And when they wake the following morning to discover Laure is missing, Elin must trust her instincts if they hope to find her. With the storm closing off all access to the hotel, the longer Laure stays missing, the more the remaining guests start to panic.

Elin is under pressure to find Laure, but no one has realized yet that another woman has gone missing. And she's the only one who could have warned them just how much danger they are all in. . .

Teens



Anime Club

Tuesday, May 3 and 17 @ 4:00-5:45 pm

Do you like anime? Watch and discuss anime with other fans!

Writer Wednesdays

Wednesday, May 4, 11, and 18 @ 4:00-5:45 pm

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.

Video Game Night

Thursday, May 5 @ 4:00-5:45 pm

Bring your consoles and play solo or against other teens!



T.A.G.

Tuesday, May 10, 4:30-5:45 pm

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

Flexible Book Club

Thursday, May 12 @ 4:30-5:45 pm

Hear about the newest teen books and get first pick of all the titles!



Board Game Night

Thursday, May 19 @ 4:00-5:45 pm

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

Open Study

Tuesday, May 24 - Thursday, May 26
@ 3:00 pm-8:00 pm

Need a place outside the house to study for finals? We've reserved one of our meeting rooms just for that. Plenty of tables and chairs to spread out. Snacks and drinks will also be available.



Babies - 5th Grade

Children's Craft of the Month - "Monkey Card Craft"

Come in during the month of May to get your free materials to make a special card you could give to someone special for Mother's Day!



LEGO Club: K-5th Grade

Wednesday, May 25 @ 4:00-5:30 pm

**No Registration required but space is limited*

Join us for a low-key night of brick-building fun. We've received so many donations of Legos recently that we now have more Legos than ever before! With our new supply of bricks and Lego people, the creative process has never been easier. What can you build?

Storytimes with Mr. Patrick

Summer is almost upon us and that means there will be a break coming very soon. We have just a few weeks of story time before we begin the library's transformation for summer. For the first two weeks of story time, we will celebrate all things mothers and then read some of the new books that have come out in the last month. May 11th will be the final story time of the spring. Storytime will resume on June 7th and will see the return of the Thursday Outdoor Storytime all through the summer. We can't wait!

Tuesday mornings @ 10:00 - 10:20 am
STORYtots (Babies - 2 yrs.)

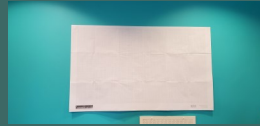
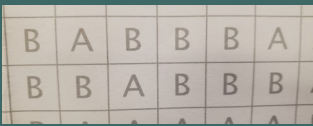
Wednesday mornings @ 10:00 - 10:30 am
STORYpals (2 + years)



- Sign-up begins May 23
- Start reading May 30
- First Prizes June 6

Mr. Patrick and Miss Jennifer have so many wonderful activities planned for this year's Summer Reading Program.

Dolphins, narwhals, and sharks, oh my! There are so many cool things to discover in the ocean! Books are the same way. With books you can discover new subjects, fun hobbies, wonderful stories, and interesting characters.



Remember last year's challenge to read over 7,000 days in 2 months as a community of kids? Remember your reward of locking Mr. Patrick in the library with Gimlet, and Omlet's introduction?

Well let's see if you still got it. Just like last years tiger mosaic we will have a new picture to fill in. Finish it, and this year you'll be able to take a WHACK at a target and DUNK Mr. Patrick all afternoon on a Saturday in August!



There will be 2 Reader's Theatres this summer!

Win all kinds of prizes just for reading!

All through May, we will be decorating the children's room. Come see the transformation!

2 Treasure Chests of Weekly Prizes!



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