

## March 2023

### **Fitness for Fun—Fitness for Life (55+)**

Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21, and 28

Thursdays, March 9, 16, and 23

(March 2 classes will be Zoom only!)

Class #1 is 10:15–11:00 am

Class #2 is 11:15 am–12:00 pm

In these fitness classes designed for 55+, we will use a combination of exercises and hand weights to help strengthen and tone all areas of the body and work to increase balance. Paula Papst, Certified Fitness Trainer, ISSA, will lead this very fun and popular class. Please wear comfortable clothes & tennis shoes, and bring a yoga or exercise mat. Classes are free for all participants.

#### **NEW REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR CLASSES:**

- **Registration for the March classes will begin at 9 am on March 1. There will be no early registration.** Registration will be by phone or in person only. To make it fair for everyone, you can only register yourself.
- There will be room for 20 participants in each of the classes at the library. When we reach 20 participants for each class, the in-person class will be full, and we will not keep a wait list.
- But **because Paula is conducting the class via Zoom from Arizona, anyone can join from home!** We will make the link available to anyone who is not able to attend in person. So even if you don't get to participate at the library, you will be able to participate from home. Never used Zoom before? We are happy to help!
- Paula will be back in person for the April classes. More information about April registration will be forthcoming.

### **BCL Annual Meeting**

**Tuesday, March 7 @ 7:30 pm**

The Annual Meeting of the Basehor Community Library is held each year on the first Tuesday in March at 7:30 pm, per state statute. The order of business at the annual meeting includes the election of person(s) to fill vacancies occurring on the board due to completion of terms or resignations. The Board of Directors of the library consists of seven members elected by ballot by the qualified voters residing within the library district at the annual meeting. For more information, please contact Diana Weaver at the library.

### **Family Trivia Night**

Wednesday, March 15 @ 6:00 pm–7:30 pm

3rd Grade and up

Create your team (and team name) and join us for a night of trivia! We are looking for teams of four to six people to compete in five rounds of trivia. Our only rule is that each team must have at least one child and one adult. We will provide the snacks and the fun, but we ask that you bring your own drink. Please remember this is a family friendly event and is just for fun!

*Registration is required. Registration begins March 6th.*

### **Macramé Keychain workshop**

Thursday, March 23 @ 6:30 pm

Cost - \$5

Participants of all ages and skill levels are welcome to explore the beautiful art of macramé. In this workshop, Gianna Procopio of Macramade KC will lead us in learning a few basic macramé knots in order to make your very own keychain using recycled materials. Once you learn the basic knots, you will be able to take your new knotting skills home to create more wonderful things! Gianna is a full-time elementary school teacher. She started Macramade KC to create eco-friendly gifts for her family and friends. This program is geared for adults; older children are welcome with an adult. All supplies will be provided.

*Registration begins March 1st. Class size is limited. Prepayment is required at time of registration.*



### **Bridge Bidding Review**

Thursdays, March 23–April 13 @ 1:00 pm–3:00 pm

Cost - \$20

This class is for people who just completed our Beginning Bridge class OR are coming back after a break from bridge and need a little playing experience. This four-week class is designed to review the bidding basics of No Trump, one of a major suit, one of a minor suit, and competitive bidding. Christie Thomas Collier will lead this class with more playing time and less talking time.

*Participation in the previous class, Beginning Bridge, is not required to join this class. Anyone is welcome. Registration and prepayment are required.*

# Adults

## VITA Tax Service

Thursdays, March 2, 9, 16, and 30

The Leavenworth Council on Aging will be providing free VITA tax service for anyone age 60 and over. Some restrictions apply.

**This service is by appointment only.** Appointments can be scheduled by calling (913) 684-0777.

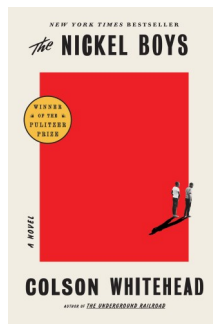
## Thursday Evening Book Club

Thursday, March 30 @ 6:30 pm

*The Nickel Boys* by Colson Whitehead

When Elwood Curtis, a Black boy growing up in 1960s Tallahassee, is unfairly sentenced to a juvenile reformatory called the Nickel Academy, he finds himself trapped in a grotesque chamber of horrors. Elwood's only salvation is his friendship with fellow "delinquent" Turner, which deepens despite Turner's conviction that Elwood is hopelessly naive, that the world is crooked, and that the only way to survive is to scheme and avoid trouble. As life at the Academy becomes ever more perilous, the tension between Elwood's ideals and Turner's skepticism leads to a decision whose repercussions will echo down the decades.

Based on the real story of a reform school that operated for 111 years and warped the lives of thousands of children, *The Nickel Boys* is a devastating, driven narrative that showcases a great American novelist writing at the height of his powers. The book was awarded the 2020 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction and was longlisted for The National Book Award.



## Dementia Caregiver Education Conference Keep the Door Open—Caring for Caregivers

Saturday, April 1 @ 9:00 am-2:00 pm

Caregivers and their family members, including their loved ones with dementia, are invited to attend this free conference. This exciting event features distinguished doctors and guest speakers presenting exciting approaches, and valuable caregiving insights, techniques, and resources. Enjoy fellowship, rich discussions, and time for Q&A with experts. Brunch will be provided. *Email [vacaregivereducation@gmail.com](mailto:vacaregivereducation@gmail.com) to receive the online registration link or call the library at (913) 724-2957 to register. A full schedule can be provided on request.*

## Blood Drive

Monday, March 6 @ 12:30-5:30 pm

There is an urgent need for blood and platelet donors. Please sign up for our March blood drive at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org); enter the sponsor code: Basehor or our zip code, 66007.

**We will be having our paper shredding and electronic recycling event April 29th. Stay tuned for more information in our April newsletter!**

# Monthly Groups

## Council on Aging Community Outreach

Thursday, March 16 @ 10:00-11:00 am

The Leavenworth County Council on Aging will be at the library to answer your questions regarding services available to any person 60 or older regardless of income. No appointment is necessary, just drop in.

For more information, contact the Council on Aging at (913) 684-0777.

## Dementia Support Group

Thursday, March 2 @ 6:30 pm

in person and on Zoom

Join us in this safe, supportive environment for caregivers. 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. Please see additional program information for a wonderful learning opportunity on April 1st.

## 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](mailto:tmus55@aol.com) or call the library.

# 20's & 30's



## Books n' Beverages Book Club

Thursday, March 9 @ 7:00 pm

*Venetia* by Georgette Heyer

Beautiful, capable, and independent minded, Venetia Lanyon's life on her family's estate in the country side is somewhat restricted. But her neighbor, the infamous Lord Damerel, a charming rake shunned by polite society, is about to shake things up.

Lord Damerel has built his life on his dangerous reputation, and when he meets Venetia, he has nothing to offer and everything to regret. Though his scandalous past and deepest secrets give Venetia reason to mistrust him, a rogue always gets what he wants.

As Venetia's well-meaning family steps in to protect her from potential ruin, Venetia must find the wherewithal to take charge of her own destiny, or lose her chance at happiness.

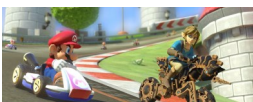
Contact Amy at [aschaffer@basehorlibrary.org](mailto:aschaffer@basehorlibrary.org) for the location of the book club meeting.

# Teens

## Writer Wednesdays

Wednesday, March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29 @ 4:00-6:00 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, March 2 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

Bring your consoles and play solo or against other teens!

## Anime Club

Tuesday, March 7 and 21

@ 4:00-6:00 pm

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



## Flexible Book Club

Thursday, March 9 @ 4:30-6:00 pm

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

## T.A.G.

Tuesday, March 14 @ 4:30-6:00 pm

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

## Board Game Night

Thursday, March 16 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

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

## Craft Night: DIY Stickers

Thursday, March 23 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

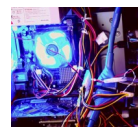
Who doesn't love stickers?! Join us for this simple program where you can create more stickers than you know what to do with. Draw and color your design or cut out pictures from magazines to make your own!



## Tech Take Apart

Tuesday, March 28 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

Ever wonder what the inside of a computer looks like? How about a pair of headphones? A keyboard? We're giving you the chance to take electronics apart and find out what's on the inside.



## Open Craft Night

Thursday, March 30 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

Do you have a project that you've been wanting to work on? Is there a craft you didn't get finished at another time? This is the program for you. Join us for this low-key craft night where we snack, craft, and talk.



# Babies - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

## March Book Madness

### Month of March

It's time to decide who's the best of the best—March Madness style! Some of our favorite book characters will be competing against each other in our very own “March Book Madness” competition each week.:

“Sweet 16” - March 6 - 12

“Big 8” - March 13 - 19

“Final 4” - March 20 - 26

“The Playoff Round” - March 27 - April 2

Look for our Book Characters bracket and special display to place your votes each week!



## Spring Break Scavenger Hunt

Thursday, March 9 - Monday, March 20

Feeling lucky?! Come in to find the hidden coins around the library to solve a Leprechaun riddle and learn a couple Irish words along the way. For this special Spring Break scavenger hunt, we're switching up the rules for an extra level of challenge and fun. Plus, there will be a bonus question and bonus prize for kids who love the thrill of discovery!

Don't forget to turn in your scavenger hunt sheet to claim your reward!



## Wiggle Workshop

Friday, March 17, 24, and 31 @ 10:00-10:30 am  
Toddler—5 yrs.

Welcome to the Wiggle Workshop: a 20-30 minute dance and movement time geared for littles and their parents or guardians. Please bring a workout mat or blanket to dance on and enjoy this fun and engaging wiggle time together. Parents are encouraged to participate in activities with children.

Because our first Wiggle Workshop of March is happening during Spring Break, children older than 5 are welcome to join our March 17th meeting with their younger siblings.

*Sign up is required and will begin on March 6th. Please sign up each person attending.*

## Storytimes with Mr. Patrick

In March we will start with Dr. Seuss books. Then for Spring Break we will have a sneak preview of our Summer Reading theme. After that we will jump into March's brand new books. We'll finish our March storytimes by trying to settle an age old contest: Who has better books about them—cats or dogs?

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

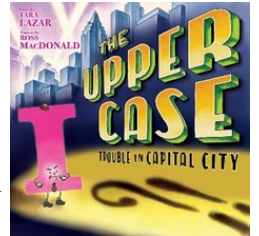
Wednesday mornings @ 10:00 - 10:30 am  
STORYpals (Babies - 5 yrs.)

## Reader's Theatre—"The Upper Case: Trouble in Capital City"

Friday, March 17 @ 12:00-2:00 pm  
2nd Grade - 5th Grade

Get your part, read the script, rehearse... then showtime! No acting experience necessary. Pizza will be provided to the kids at noon. Families are encouraged to come at 2:00 to view the final performance. Registration required and space is limited.

*Registration begins March 13th.*



## LEGO Club: K-5th Grade

Wednesday, March 29 @ 4:00-5:30 pm

*\*No registration required but space is limited*

Join us for a low-key night of brick-building fun. With our huge supply of bricks and Lego people, the creative process has never been easier. What can you build?

*Parents, please note: Children under the age of 10 cannot be left alone in the library. Children 5+ are welcome in Lego Club, but a parent or guardian must remain in the building.*

## Children's Craft of the Month - "Friendly Frog"

Hop into the library for this “toadally” awesome craft kit to make a frog!



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