

# BCL Buzz



## November 2023

### **HOLIDAY Family Trivia Night**

Tuesday, November 28 @ 6:00 pm-7:30 pm

Start your holiday season off with some fun trivia!

Create your team (and team name) and join us for a night of trivia! We are looking for teams of three to six people to compete in rounds of trivia. Our only rule is that each team must have at least one adult and one child/teen. First Grade and up are welcome to play!

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!

*Please register by calling or visiting the library. Registration is required and begins November 13th.*

### **“Look Ma’, No Soil”: The Advantages and Techniques of Hydroponics**

Wednesday, November 1 @ 6:30 pm

This interactive workshop covers some advantages of hydroponics such as the ability to garden year-round and minimizing pest problems. Master Gardener Mark Sorensen will answer questions about what kinds of plants do well in hydroponics, how to fertilize, and how much growing with hydroponics costs (the answer is very little). Mark will also bring some hydroponic units to show.

### **Bridge Instruction: Jacoby Transfer**

Thursday, November 9 @ 1:00-3:00 pm

By popular demand, we will be talking about one of the most useful conventions in bridge, Jacoby Transfer. Christie Thomas Collier will lead the discussion and we will play example hands. No registration is required.

### **Tech Help Drop-In**

Monday, November 27 @ 12:00-1:30 pm

Have a quick question about your smartphone, tablet, or computer? Need help with email, social media, or the Internet? Our resident techies William and Mike will be available to answer your questions at this walk-in tech help session. No registration necessary. Bringing in your mobile devices is encouraged.

### **Brain Talks**

Join us this fall for **Brain Talks**, a series of discussions focusing on the brain at different stages of life. Please contact the library if you would like to join by Zoom.

#### **The Aging Brain**

Tuesday, November 14 @ 6:30-7:30 pm

You can't find your glasses for the second time today. Or maybe you can't remember why you came into a room?

Join us for the final program of our series. In this presentation, Dr. Maritza Buenaver, Geriatric Psychiatrist, will explain how the brain changes with age. We will discuss exactly what does change, what's normal and what isn't, what are the signs of normal changes vs things to be concerned about, what to do if you need help, and how to keep your mind in tip-top shape.

And while we can't help you find your glasses, at least we can help you rest easy knowing that maybe your moments of forgetfulness are OK.

### **Mayor's Annual Tree Lighting**

Friday, December 1

Event Begins @ 6:00 pm

Lighting Ceremony Begins @ 6:15

Kick off the holiday season with us at the Mayor's Annual Tree Lighting ceremony. There will be live music, crafts, snacks, and more. Santa Claus himself will come to meet everyone and help the mayor light his majestic tree!

We will also be hosting a drive for Basehor-Linwood Assistance Services (BLAS). Please bring donations of hats, gloves, and scarves to help community members in need. There will be a Toys for Tots box available for donations as well.



### **Interviews with the Candidates**

It's an election year for Basehor City Council and USD #458 School Board members. Learn more about the candidates' backgrounds and positions on the issues by listening to recorded interviews on BCL Buzz, the library's YouTube channel. You find it on our website, and you don't need a YouTube account to watch them. The interviews will be available until the election on November 7. Be an informed voter and don't forget to vote!

**We will be CLOSED November 11**  
**CLOSING EARLY November 22 at 5:00pm**  
**and CLOSED November 23 and 24.**

Open in-library and drive-thru: Mon-Thurs 9am-8pm © Fri-Sat 9am-5pm © Sun 1pm-5pm

# Adults

## Coffee Klatch

Monday, November 13 @ 9:30-10:30 am

Please join us for coffee (or teal!) 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 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.

## Thursday Evening Book Club

Thursday, November 30 @ 6:30 pm

*The Lager Queen of Minnesota* by J. Ryan Stradal

A novel about family, Midwestern values, hard work, fate, and the secrets of making a world-class beer.

Two sisters, one farm. A family is split when their father leaves their shared inheritance entirely to Helen, his younger daughter. Her older sister, Edith, struggles to make what most people would call a living. Helen builds one of the most successful light breweries in the country and makes their company motto ubiquitous: "Drink lots. It's Blotz." Where Edith has a heart as big as Minnesota, Helen's heart is as rigid as a steel keg. And Edith's granddaughter, Diana, grows up knowing that the real world requires a tougher constitution than her grandmother possesses. In this deeply affecting family saga, we meet a cast of lovable and funny characters eager to make their mark in a world that's often stacked against them. Resolution can take generations, but when it finally comes, we're surprised, moved, and delighted.



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

Tuesdays and Thursdays

Class #1 is 10:00-10:45 am

Class #2 is 11:00-11:45 am

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 and tennis shoes, and bring a yoga or exercise mat. Classes are free for all participants.

*Registration will begin the day of the first class on November 2. If you can't come to the first class, you can phone in and register after 9 am on the first day of classes. Registration will be for the entire month. We will continue to offer the class by Zoom.*

*There will not be a class on November 23.*

# Monthly Groups

## Bridge Club

Thursdays, November 2, 16, and 30 @ 1:00-3:00 pm

Following our successful bridge classes, we are now inviting players to meet and practice what they learned. We invite all experienced players to join as well. These will be fun afternoons of socializing and playing. No registration required.

## Dementia Support Group

Thursday, November 2 @ 6:30 pm

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. Anyone is welcome to join us. We meet in person, but Zoom is also an option. Please call the library for the Zoom link.

## Council on Aging Community Outreach and BINGO

Thursday, November 16, drop by 10:30-11:00 am  
BINGO @ 11:00 am-12:00 pm

The Leavenworth County Council on Aging will be here to answer your questions from 10:30-11:00 am regarding services available to any person 60 or older, regardless of income. Then at 11:00 am, they will offer a few games of Bingo. For more information, contact the Council on Aging at (913) 684-0777.

## 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, November 9 @ 7:00 pm

*This Is How You Lose the Time War* by Amal El-Mohtar and Max Gladstone

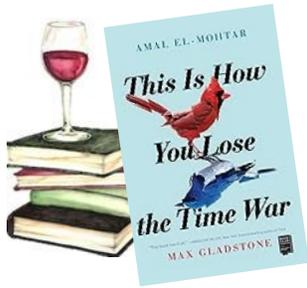
Among the ashes of a dying world, an agent of the Commandment finds a letter. It reads: Burn before reading.

Thus begins an unlikely correspondence between two rival agents hellbent on securing the best possible future for their warring factions. Now, what began as a taunt, a battlefield boast, becomes something more. Something epic. Something romantic. Something that could change the past and the future.

Except the discovery of their bond would mean the death of each of them. There's still a war going on, after all. And someone has to win. That's how war works, right?

Cowritten by two beloved and award-winning sci-fi writers, *This Is How You Lose the Time War* is an epic love story spanning time and space!

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



# Teens (6-12th Grade)

## Writers Wednesday

Wednesday, November 1, 8, 15, 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, November 2 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

Bring your consoles and play solo or against other teens!



## Anime Club

Tuesday, November 7 and 21 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

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

## Flexible Book Club

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

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



## T.A.G.

Tuesday, November 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, November 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!

## Open Craft Night

Thursday, November 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

## Wiggle Workshop

Fridays @ 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.

*There will be NO Wiggle Workshop Friday, November 24th.  
The library will be closed.*

## Read to a Dog Program

Saturday, November 4 @ 2:00-3:00 pm

A few friendly therapy dogs are coming to the library for kids to read to. There will be a number of different dogs available, and sign up slots are for 10 minute increments. This is a wonderful program for littles who are struggling to read or who just need a friendly ear that won't judge their efforts. The dogs will be handled by their trainers from the Human Animal Bond out of Ft. Leavenworth.

*Sign-up is required and will begin October 30th.*

## Mini Golf in Wonderland

Friday, November 10 @ 12:00-4:00 pm

Drop by anytime in the afternoon for a round of miniature golf! It has been years since we got creative with a custom golf course. Did you miss out on the Alice in Wonderland tea party or just enjoyed it so much you wish you could return to Wonderland? Come join us as the children's room gets turned into an Alice in Wonderland themed golf course. There will be nine holes throughout the children's room for families to enjoy.

*Note: All books will still be available for checkout, so golfers might have to wait at a hole while patrons collect books.*

## Our Tiny Art Show is Back!

Wednesday, November 29 @ 6:30-7:30 pm  
Thursday, November 30 @ 6:30-7:30 pm  
1st-5th Grade

We have tiny canvases here for kids to paint and put on display in our case in the Children's section for all to enjoy! This time, the tiny canvases are black! It will be fun to see the beautiful, festive artwork kids come up with. We will display the tiny art pieces until December 20 when they will be available for pick up.

*Registration is required and will begin November 20th.*



## Storytimes with Mr. Patrick

Even though Halloween is over, we will still have our special Trick or Treat Halloween Storytime on November 1st, All Hallows' Day, so come dressed up in your special costume to get a sweet treat! Mr. Patrick will also read this year's Kansas Reads to Preschoolers book, "My Heart Fills with Happiness" by Monique Gray Smith. Kansas Reads to Preschoolers is an annual event that promotes reading to all Kansas children from birth through age five.

There will be NO Storytime on the week of Thanksgiving, but we will be back the next week to read all about the cold, cold winter.

Tuesday mornings

@ 10:00-10:20 am AND 10:30-10:50 am  
STORYtots (Babies - 2 yrs.)

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

## LEGO Club: K-5th Grade

Wednesday, November 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; a parent or guardian must remain in the building.*

## Build a Gingerbread House

Monday, December 4 @ 4:30-5:30 pm OR 6:30-7:30 pm  
K-5th Grade

Mark your calendars: Our Gingerbread House event is back!

*Sign-up is required and will begin on November 27th.*

## Children's Craft of the Month: "Thankful Turkey Craft"

What are you thankful for? We are thankful for YOU! Come get this fun page, along with materials to make a turkey, and fill out the page with some of the things you are thankful for with your family.



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