

# BCL Buzz



## February 2024

We will be **CLOSED** February 19

### Tech Help Drop-In

Monday, February 12 @ 12:00-1:30 pm

Our resident techies William and Mike will be available to answer questions at this walk-in tech help session. No registration necessary. Bringing in your mobile devices is encouraged.

### Family Trivia Night

Tuesday, February 13 @ 6:00-7:30 pm

Create your team (and team name) and join us for a night of trivia! We are looking for teams of 3 to 6 to compete in rounds of trivia. Our only rule is that each team must have at least 1 adult and 1 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 begins February 5th.*

### Genre Book Club

Wednesday, February 21 @ 6:30-7:30 pm

Want to read something different? Each month, Genre Book Club explores a new genre to help expand your reading horizons. We'll pick the genre, you pick the book. We'll discuss the genre as a whole and compare what we've read. Need suggestions? We'll have a list available at the front desk. **February's genre: Romantic Fantasy.**

### Adult Tiny Art Show

Thursday, February 22 @ 6:30-7:30 pm

You've seen the work of the children, and now it's your turn. Join us in creating your very own tiny art. We will have a white and black canvas for each person to paint. This program is for adults only, 18+. We would love to display your work, but you may take them with you when you are done.



*Please register by calling or visiting the library. Registration begins February 12th.*



### Spring Book Sale

Friends Members Only:

Thursday, February 29 @ 1:00-7:00 pm

*Become a Friends Member at the door!*

Open to the General Public:

Friday, March 1 @ 9:00 am-5:00 pm

Saturday, March 2 @ 9:00 am-5:00 pm

Sunday, March 3 @ 1:00-4:00 pm

**On Sunday, fill a Friends Tote Bag for \$5!**

### Friends of the Library Annual Meeting

Sunday, February 11 @ 1:00-2:30 pm

Please join us for the Annual Meeting of the Friends of Basehor Library to see all the wonderful things YOUR Friends group has done for the library over the past several months. Learn what we have planned for the future. Enjoy some treats, visit with neighbors and friends, and be eligible for door prizes. If you're not yet a Friend, you can sign up at the meeting; or you can renew your membership for the year.

### Adult Winter Reading

January 8-March 1

Read 3 books by March 1 to earn a commemorative mug (while supplies last). If you're up for more, log an extra 2 books and earn a ticket for an entry into a drawing for 1 of 3 grand prize gift cards to local restaurants! Log books in the Beanstack app or ask staff for help getting started.

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

# Adults

## Coffee Klatch

Monday, February 12 @ 9:30-10:30 am

Please join us for a lively discussion about multiple new and exciting books here at the library. Learn what's hot off the presses, and discover a new title or two. Don't be hesitant. We're a friendly and inviting group, and you only need to participate to your level of comfort. Often, participants choose to share a little about the books they've been reading and would recommend ...but there's never an obligation to do so. Happy reads!

## Thursday Evening Book Club

Thursday, February 29 @ 6:30-7:30 pm

*The Virgin of Small Plains* by Nancy Pickard

For seventeen years, a rural community in Kansas has faithfully tended the grave of an anonymous teenage girl christened the Virgin of Small Plains. Claims of strange miracles and unexplainable healings from the grave create a legend that is about to collide with reality when Mitch Newquist returns to town just as suddenly as he disappeared - the day after the body was first discovered.

## Bridge Instruction

Thursday, February 8 @ 1:00-3:00 pm

Learn how to get from the dummy hand to the declarer's hand. Christie Thomas Collier will lead the discussion with five different tips for entries. Example hands to play.

## VITA Tax Service

Monday, February 26 and March, 7, 14, 25, and 28

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.

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

Tuesdays and Thursdays

**Note: Class on February 29 will be Zoom only\***

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 February 1, for the entire month. Registrations will be accepted by phone after 9:00 am on the first day of classes.*

# Monthly Groups

## Bridge Club

Thursdays, February 1, 15, 22, and 29 @ 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, February 1 @ 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, February 15, 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

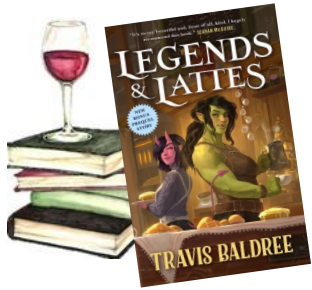
Have you thought about writing your family stories or finally getting started on that novel? Give the Basehor Writer's Group a try! For more information, email the group's facilitator at [tmus55@aol.com](mailto:tmus55@aol.com) or call the library.

# 20's & 30's

## Books n' Beverages Book Club

Thursday, February 8 @ 7:00 pm

*Legends and Lattes* by Travis Baldree



After a lifetime of bounties and bloodshed, Viv is hanging up her sword for the last time. The battle-weary orc aims to start fresh, opening the first ever coffee shop in the city of Thune. But old and new rivals stand in the way of success — not to mention the fact that no one has the faintest idea what coffee actually is.

If Viv wants to put the blade behind her and make her plans a reality, she won't be able to go it alone. But the true rewards of the uncharted path are the travelers you meet along the way.

And whether drawn together by ancient magic, flaky pastry, or a freshly brewed cup, they may become partners, family, and something deeper than she ever could have dreamed.

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

# Teens (6-12th Grade)

## Video Game Night

Thursday, February 1 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

Bring your consoles and play solo or against other teens!

## Anime Club

Tuesday, February 6 and 20  
@ 4:00-6:00 pm

Like anime? Come watch and discuss anime with other fans!



## Writers Wednesday

Wednesday, February 7, 14, 21, and 28  
@ 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.

## Flexible Book Club

Thursday, February 8  
@ 4:00-6:00 pm

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



## T.A.G.

Tuesday, February 13 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

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

## Board Game Night

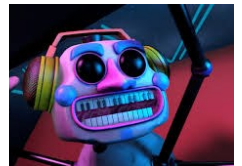
Thursday, February 15 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

Enjoy the ultimate retro-gaming! Choose from our selection of board and card games or bring your own!

## Music Bingo

Thursday, February 22 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

Enjoy this fun twist on traditional bingo. Instead of calling out numbers, a DJ plays snippets of songs for you to mark off on your bingo card. Complete your bingo card and win a prize.



## Open Craft Night

Tuesday, February 27 @ 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.

## Leap Day Party

Thursday, February 29 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

What better way to celebrate Leap Day than with a... frog party. It's a bonus day so you might as well be a little goofy. Enjoy some frog themed snacks, crafts, and games.

As an added bonus, you'll write letters to be sealed and opened in 4 years at the NEXT Leap Day.



# 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.



## “Pigs in Love” Scavenger Hunt

February 12-20

Stop by the library for a positively pink scavenger hunt! Find the peppy love-struck pigs all around the library to solve a romantic riddle and receive a sweet treat.



## Children’s Craft of the Month: “Groundhog Day”

Help this groundhog to find out if it can see its shadow with this fun, free take-home craft while supplies last!



## Coming up in March

### BCL Annual Meeting

Tuesday, March 5 @ 7:30

The Annual Meeting of the Basehor Community Library Board of Trustees is held each year on the first Tuesday in March at 7:30 pm, per state statute. Business includes the election of person(s) to the Board of Directors of the library. For more information, please contact Diana Weaver at the library.

### Books, Bites, and Birds Bus Tour

Wednesday, March 20

Bus departs at 9:15 am and returns around 4:15 pm

Cost: \$25 (lunch included)

This day trip includes a significant amount of walking

Join us for a full day bus tour in pursuit of books, bites, and birds in the Kansas City area! Our first stop will be the Mid-Century Public Library’s Midwest Genealogy Center. Located in Independence, Missouri, it is one of the United States’ preeminent resources for family history, providing access to almost three-quarters of a million on-site materials. After, we’ll head to Kansas City for lunch on the Plaza at the Strang Chef Collective and some free time to explore the fountains and shops. We’ll end our day with a visit UMKC’s Linda Hall Library for a tour and to experience “Chained to the Sky: The Science of Birds, Past & Future,” an exhibition that explores the story of our relationship with birds.

*Registration begins February 20th. Registration and pre-payment are required. Registration deadline is March 13. Additional cash on hand is recommended for gratuity for servers and bus driver, not included in registration fee.*

## Storytimes with Mr. Patrick

February is going to be PINK! We’ve got Bubblegum books for the first week, followed by Valentine’s Day books, New Books, and last but not least, Pink books—stories about animals, flowers, and anything else that has to do with our favorite red and white mixture. Wear your pink shirts and celebrate with us in February!

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.)

## Bird Wind Chimes

Tuesday, February 20 @ 6:00-7:00 pm OR  
Wednesday, February 21 @ 6:00-7:00 pm  
1st-5th Grade

Celebrate National Bird Month by making an adorable wind chime with Miss Jen!



*Sign-up is required and will begin on February 12th.*

## NO LEGO CLUB THIS MONTH

The Friends of the Library are busy working on getting the Spring Book Sale set up and ready, so we won’t have a room to host LEGO club. **Don’t forget:** If you have free book tickets from Summer Reading, they are good to use at the Friends Spring 2024 Book Sale. *Lego club will return March 27th.*



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