

BCL Buzz



March 2024

Tech Help Drop-In

Monday, March 11 @ 12:00-1:30 pm

Our resident techies William and Mike will be available to answer questions at this walk-in tech help session. Bringing in your mobile devices is encouraged.

Blood Drive

Monday, March 11 @ 12:30-5:30 pm

Sign up for our blood drive at redcrossblood.org; enter the sponsor code: Basehor or our zip code, 66007.

Family Trivia Night

Tuesday, March 12 @ 6:00-7:30 pm

Spend your Spring Break with us! 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 March 4th.

Genre Book Club

Wednesday, March 13 @ 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. **March's genre: Cozy Mystery**

Bridge Instruction

Thursday, March 14 @ 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. She will have example hands to play.

Retirement Reception

Thursday, March 28 @ 5:30-7:00 pm

The current director of the Basehor Library is retiring! Diana Weaver has been the Library Director since May 2011 and is moving onto a new chapter in her life. Please join us for a Retirement Open House.

Adult Cupcake Wars

Tuesday, March 19 @ 6:00-7:30 pm

Cost: \$5

Join us for national Let's Laugh Day to compete in a cupcake war! Try your hand at something new and fun by decorating funny cupcakes. You will be provided with cupcakes and all the toppings to decorate however you would like. Participants will then vote on their favorite, and a winner will be chosen!

Payment upon registration is required. Please register by calling or visiting the library. Registration begins March 4th and ends March 14th.

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

Getting Your Garden Ready and Early Spring Planting

Wednesday, March 27 @ 6:30 pm

LVCO Master Gardener, Anne Rielly will present an informal program to discuss cleaning garden beds, amending the soil, cutting back plants and considering choices regarding *what* to plant and *when*.

We will be CLOSED March 31st

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

Adults

Coffee Klatch

Monday, March 11 @ 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, March 21 @ 6:30-7:30 pm

Tom Lake by Ann Patchett

Sr. Rosemary Kolich, professor emeritus of English at the University of Saint Mary, Leavenworth, Kansas, will lead a discussion of the book *Tom Lake*.

AARP Smart Driver Course

Monday, March 18 @ 9:00-1:00 pm

\$20 for AARP Members and \$25 for non-members

When you take the AARP Smart Driver course, you could be eligible for a multi-year discount on your auto insurance. Plus safer driving can save you more than just money. The course teaches proven driving techniques to help keep you and your loved ones safe on the road. *Registration is required. Participants will pay the instructor on the day of the class.*

VITA Tax Service

March, 7, 14, 18, 22, 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

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 for the entire month will begin the day of the first class, March 5. Registrations will be accepted by phone after 9:00 am on the first day of classes.

Monthly Groups

Bridge Club

Thursdays, March 7, 21, and 28 @ 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, March 7 @ 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, March 21, 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

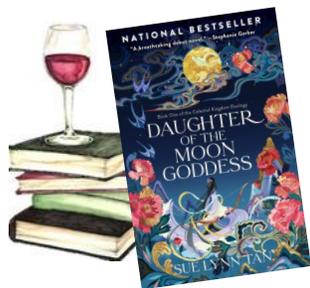
Mahjongg (American style), the Chinese game played with tiles, is sometimes compared to dominoes or the card game rummy. The 4 Winds Mahjongg League meets twice a week at the library. Come as often and as much as you like. Please note: The tables are reserved for experienced players. Would you like to 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 or call the library.

20's & 30's



Books n' Beverages Book Club

Thursday, March 14 @ 7:00 pm

Daughter of the Moon Goddess by Sue Lynn Tan

Growing up on the moon, Xingyin is accustomed to solitude, unaware that she is being hidden from the feared Celestial Emperor who exiled her mother for stealing his elixir of immortality. But when Xingyin's magic flares and her existence is discovered, she is forced to flee her home, leaving her mother behind.

Alone, powerless, and afraid, she makes her way to the Celestial Kingdom, a land of wonder and secrets. Disguising her identity, she seizes an opportunity to learn alongside the emperor's son, mastering archery and magic, even as passion flames between her and the prince.

To save her mother, Xingyin embarks on a perilous quest, confronting legendary creatures and vicious enemies. But when treachery looms and forbidden magic threatens the kingdom, she must challenge the ruthless Celestial Emperor for her dream—striking a dangerous bargain in which she is torn between losing all she loves or plunging the realm into chaos.

Contact Amy at aschaffer@basehorlibrary.org for the location of the book club meeting.

Teens (6-12th Grade)

Anime Club

Tuesday, March 5 and 19

@ 4:00-6:00 pm

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



T.A.G.

Tuesday, March 12 @ 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, March 21 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

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

Tech Take Apart

Tuesday, March 26 @ 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.

Craft Night: Candle Painting

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

Join us for this simple program where you'll use melted wax to decorate plain white candles. Teens can experiment with different colors, patterns, and styles to customize their candles to reflect their individual personalities.



Writers Wednesday

Wednesday, March 6, 13, 20, and 27

@ 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 7 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

Bring your consoles and play solo or against other teens!



Flexible Book Club

Thursday, March 14 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

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



Babies - 5th 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.

March 1st will be upstairs.

March Book Madness

All month long

March Madness is Back!! Come in each week during the dates shown below to place your vote for your favorite book characters. This year our theme is Cats vs. Dogs!



"Sweet 16" - March 4 - 10

"Big 8" - March 11 - 17

"Final 4" - March 18 - 24

"The Playoff Round" - March 25 - 31



Children's Craft of the Month: "Lucky Leprechaun"

Miss Jen has a silly leprechaun finger puppet for this month's craft. Use your fingers to make your new friend walk, run, dance, or kick a tiny leprechaun football if you ever come across one!



Elephant and Piggie Presents: "Reader's Theatre"

Friday, March 15 @ 1:00-3:00 pm

2nd-5th grade

For this Reader's Theatre, we will do a series of shorts based on Elephant and Piggie stories.

Get your part, read the script, rehearse... then showtime! No acting experience necessary. This program begins at 1:00 pm and **there will be no lunch provided.** Families are encouraged to come at 3:00 pm to view the final performance.

Registration is required and space is limited. Registration begins March 4th.



Storytimes with Mr. Patrick

March is here, and there are more great stories ahead. Have you ever lost a tooth? We will talk about going to the dentist. Next we will celebrate Spring Break with some beach and vacation vibes. Spring Break will also (weather permitting) have a special Thursday Storytime outdoors as a sneak peek for the summer. If the weather doesn't cooperate, don't worry! We'll just spend this special day together in our regular Storytime room. The following weeks, we will read the new books of March and get ready for Easter.

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.)

Thursday, March 14th @ 10:00 - 10:30 am
Family Storytime! (Held outdoors, weather permitting)

Easter Egg Window Suncatcher

Wednesday, March 20 @ 6:00-7:30 pm

1st-5th Grade

Come in and create a fun little window decoration. It's just in time for Easter, and the colors of these suncatchers help us look forward to spring!

Sign-up is required and will begin on March 11th.



LEGO Club: K-5th Grade

Wednesday, March 27 @ 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.



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