

## May 2024

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

**Monday, May 13 @ 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.

### **Family Trivia Night**

**Tuesday, May 14 @ 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 May 6th.*

### **Genre Book Club**

**Tuesday, May 14 @ 6:30-7:30 pm**

Genre Book Club explores a new genre each month to help expand your reading horizons. This month we'll be reading **Short Stories**. From classic authors to modern writers like Stephen King, Zadie Smith, and Tom Hanks, explore one of the world's oldest types of literature with us. Need suggestions? We'll have a list available at the front desk.

### **Family Music Bingo**

**Tuesday, May 21 @ 6:00-7:30 pm**

Join us in our first ever family music bingo night! Each bingo card will have song titles instead of numbers in its squares. We will have a variety of music genres and eras on each card. All you need to do is listen to the music to find out which squares to mark. First grade and up are welcome to play! This is a family friendly event, but children must be accompanied by at least one adult. We will provide the snacks and the fun, but we ask that you bring your own drink.

*Please register by calling or visiting the library. Space is limited. Registration begins May 13th.*

**We will be CLOSED  
May 26th and 27th**

### ***This Summer, Adventure Begins at Your Library!***

#### **Adult Summer Reading**

**Monday, May 27 – Friday, July 26**

We've got an exciting, adventure-filled summer planned for adults at the library this year! From craft nights to family trivia to our reading challenge, we've got something for everyone.

This year, we challenge you to read 3 books to earn a micro fiber cooling towel for all your summer adventures. Read an extra 2 after that and pick a bonus prize! We make it easy for you to keep track of your progress on Beanstack, but we are always here to help you record your reading. Look for more details to come in our Adult Summer Reading flyer!

*Registration begins May 20th.*

### **Vermicomposting for Beginners**

**Wednesday, May 22 @ 6:30-7:30 pm**

Vermicomposting, or creating compost by using worms, is the art of worms turning your kitchen food scraps into nutrient-rich organic fertilizer. All you need are worms, a bin, some organic waste, bedding, and a positive outlook. LVCO Master Gardener Mary Eberst will give you the information to get you started and discuss common mistakes and how to avoid them.

### **Camping and Road Trip Snacks**

**Tuesday, June 4 @ 6:00-7:30 pm**

Start our summer reading adventure off with a look at snacks that will give you the energy to get through your summer activities and trips. We will have several snacks for you to try and ingredients for you to make some of the no-bake snacks.

*Space is limited. Please register by calling or visiting the library. Registration begins May 28th.*

# Adults

## Coffee Klatch

Monday, May 13 @ 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!

## Bridge Instruction

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

We will continue the discussion of defense. We give bidding and play of the cards a lot of attention, but what about defense? How to set the opponents? We should be on defense about half the time, so we should make that time count.

## Blood Drive

Monday, May 20 @ 12:30-5:30 pm

An hour of your time can mean a lifetime to someone. Sign up for our blood drive at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org); enter the sponsor code: Basehor or our zip code, 66007.

## Thursday Evening

### Book Club

Thursday, May 30 @ 6:30-7:30 pm

May's TEBC selection is *The Reading List* by Sarah Nisha Adams, "an unforgettable and heartwarming debut about how a chance encounter with a list of library books helps forge an unlikely friendship between two very different people in a London suburb."

## 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, May 2, for the entire month. Registrations will be accepted by phone after 9:00 am on the first day of classes. We will continue to offer the class by Zoom.*

# Monthly Groups

## Bridge Club

Thursdays, May 2, 16, 23, 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, May 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, May 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, May 9 @ 7:00 pm

*Vera Wong's Unsolicited Advice for Murderers* by Jesse Q. Sutanto



Vera Wong is a lonely little old lady—ah, lady of a certain age—who lives above her forgotten tea shop in the middle of San Francisco's Chinatown. Despite living alone, Vera is not needy, oh no. She likes nothing more than sipping on a good cup of Wulong and doing some healthy detective work on the Internet about what her Gen-Z son is up to.

Then one morning, Vera trudges downstairs to find a curious thing—a dead man in the middle of her tea shop. In his outstretched hand, a flash drive. Vera doesn't know what comes over her, but after calling the cops like any good citizen would, she sort of . . . swipes the flash drive from the body and tucks it safely into the pocket of her apron. Why? Because Vera is sure she would do a better job than the police possibly could, because nobody sniffs out a wrongdoing quite like a suspicious Chinese mother with time on her hands. Vera knows the killer will be back for the flash drive; all she has to do is watch the increasing number of customers at her shop and figure out which one among them is the killer.

What Vera does not expect is to form friendships with her customers and start to care for each and every one of them. As a protective mother hen, will she end up having to give one of her newfound chicks to the police?

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, May 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, May 2 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

Bring your consoles and play solo or against other teens!

## Anime Club

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

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

## Flexible Book Club

Thursday, May 9 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

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

## T.A.G.

Tuesday, May 14 @ 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, May 16 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

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

## Open Craft Night

Thursday, May 23 and 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.

## TEEN SUMMER READING PROGRAM!!

May 27 - July 22

SIGN-UP BEGINS MAY 20

TEEN AUCTION JULY 23!!

Read anything you like! Books, comics, fan fiction, etc. Keep track of those minutes. For every 20 minutes you read and log, you'll be awarded one library dollar.

At the end of the program, we'll auction off some great prizes.

Just a few of the prizes we'll have: Water Bottles, T-shirts, Books, Tote Bags, Gift Certificates (Hot Topic, AMC, Books-A-Million, Starbucks, and more!)

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

## Wiggle Workshop

Friday, May 3 and 10 @ 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.

*Wiggle Workshop will be on break from May 17th- May 31st.  
Wiggle Workshop returns for the summer on June 7th.*

## Read to a Dog Program

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

Bring your child to the library to read to a therapy dog. This is a wonderful program for littles struggling to read or kids who just need a friendly ear that won't judge them. Sign-up slots are for 10 minute increments. The dogs will be handled by their trainers from the Human Animal Bond out of Fort Leavenworth.

*Registration is required. Sign-up began April 29th.*

## Volunteer to Read to a Kid

Wednesday, May 8 @ 6:00-7:00 pm

Teens in Grades 6-12, do you need to complete civic engagement or volunteer time? Sign up for Read-to-a-Kid! Teens will need to call us to sign up to read, as well as kids in Grades K-5 who want someone to read to them. Pick a cozy spot to read and enjoy giving back to the community by volunteering!

*Registration is required and will begin May 1st.*

## Grab Your Passport for our BCL Summer Reading Adventures!

Passports and Summer Reading sign-up available starting May 20th

Don't forget to pick up your Summer Bingo Sheet and Special Passport for Summer Reading! You'll get to fill your passport with stamps and stickers when you attend our programs and when you come to collect your Summer Reading prizes. Be on the lookout for our Summer Reading Flyer highlighting everything to come in Summer 2024!



## Storytimes with Mr. Patrick

There will be only two weeks of Storytime in May! We will finish the multi-celebration of Star Wars, Cinco de Mayo, and TUNA! Then, we will look at some new books before we go on break. It has been a wonderful spring, and Mr. Patrick has all kinds of surprises planned for summer!

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.) *Wednesday Storytimes may be outside, weather depending. We recommend bringing a blanket or chairs on nice days for some outdoor Storytime fun!*

*Storytime will be on break starting May 14 and will return June 4.*

*In the summer we will have a special Family Storytime each Thursday at 10:00am.*

## Animal Lovers Scavenger Hunt

May 25 - June 4

We love sharing our love animals here at the library. Now we want to enjoy some pictures of cute cats and dogs with you through this fun scavenger hunt. Come sign up for summer reading while you complete the scavenger hunt!

## Children's Craft of the Month: "Handprint Campfire with Smokey the Bear"



Learn about fire safety with Smokey the Bear (Happy 80th Birthday to Smokey)! You will get a mini-booklet about campfire safety, along with materials to make this adorable little campfire keepsake.

## LEGO Club: K-5th Grade

Wednesday, May 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.*



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