# BCL Buzz



# July 2024

#### **Community Worker Drive**

June and July

We are collecting items for the Basehor Police Department, Fairmount Township Fire Department, and City Works Department. We are asking for: bottled beverages, healthy and fun snacks, sunscreen, gift cards, etc. Monetary donations are welcomed.

#### **America's National Parks**

Monday, July 15 @ 6:30-7:30 pm

Dr. Jackie Augustine, Audubon of Kansas Executive Director, has traveled to 29 of the 63 National Parks in the United States. She will tell stories of her adventures, and show wonderful photos. You will be inspired to start your own National Parks quest! No registration required.

#### Family Trivia Night

Tuesday, July 16 @ 6:00-7:30 pm

Create your team of 3-6 players and join us for a night of trivia! Each team must have 1 adult and 1 child (1st grade and up). Limited snacks are provided.

Please register by calling or visiting the library. Registration begins July 8th.

#### **Adventure Themed Paintings**

Tuesday, July 23 @ 6:00-7:30 pm

Painting can be an adventure on its own! Explore your creative side with a paintbrush and canvas. All supplies will be provided, including examples to inspire adventure themed art. This program is adults only, 18+.

Register online, in person, or over the phone. Space is limited. Registration begins July 15th.

# Conserving Water and How to Water More Effectively

Wednesday, July 24 @ 6:30-7:30 pm

Join Master Gardener, Jo Domann, for a discussion on how to conserve water by determining when and how much to water. Learn the different watering requirements for the large variety of garden plants. She will also have tips on the best ways to conserve water and creative ways to save water by using simple backyard garden irrigation techniques. Ever consider actually using an old-fashioned rain barrel? Come talk about it.

#### One Book, Many Neighbors

**July Programs** 

We've teamed up with neighboring libraries on a series of events and programs based around the story collection, *Marple: Twelve New Mysteries.* Attend events throughout the summer to get clues to solve our mystery at the final party.

#### Spinster Sleuth: The Case of Miss Jane Marple Thursday, July 11th at 6:30 pm

At Basehor Community Library's event, you'll get the chance to explore the history of crime writing and discuss the stories in the anthology with Dr. Julia Bowen, Professor of English at Benedictine College.

Ask for the OBMN passport at the front desk today!

#### Vacation Spark Talks and Dinner

Thursday, July 25 @ 6:30-7:30 pm

Ever go on a vacation and want to tell everyone about it? Love to hear about others' trips or need ideas for your own? Join us for dinner and to hear about vacations your neighbors and friends have experienced through 10 minute vacation spark talks!

\$5 for dinner. Registration open July 8-19. Interested in presenting? Email wottens@basehorlibrary.org or call the library and ask for William!

#### Humanities Kansas Presents "Free Did Not Mean Welcome"

Tuesday, July 30 @ 6:30-7:30 pm

Millions of African Americans walked away from the South after Emancipation looking for freedom. For some it meant a journey to Kansas, believing "free state" meant free of racial discrimination. Discover how many realized that for Black people in Kansas "free" did not necessarily mean "welcome." Presented by Dr. Carmaletta Williams, executive director of the Black Archives of Mid-America in Kansas City.

We will be
CLOSING EARLY July 3rd at 5:00pm
and CLOSED July 4th

### Adults

#### Coffee Klatch

Monday, July 8 @ 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: Scoring**

Thursday, July 11 @ 1:00-3:00 pm

How do you know who wins the game, if you don't know how to keep score? We will practice with score pads and hands we have just played.

#### Tech Help Drop-In

Monday, July 15 @ 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, July 15 @ 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; enter the sponsor code: Basehor or our zip code, 66007.

#### Thursday Evening Book Club

Thursday, August 1st @ 6:30-7:30 pm

Join the library's longest running book club in discussing July's selection, *Hello Beautiful* by Ann Napolitano. An exquisite homage to Louisa May Alcott's timeless classic, *Hello Beautiful* is a profoundly moving portrait of what is possible when we choose to love someone not in spite of who they are, but because of it. **There will be no TEBC in July.**There will be two meetings in August.

#### 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

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 is no longer required. Attendees will sign in for each class. We will continue to offer the class by Zoom.

### Monthly Groups

#### **Bridge Club**

Thursdays, July 18 and 25 @ 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** NO MEETING IN JULY

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, July 18, 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

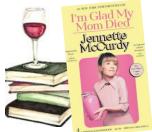
Mahjongg (American style), the Chinese game played with tiles, is sometimes compared to dominoes or the card game rummy. The 4 Winds Mahjongg League meets twice a week at the library. Come as often and as much as you like. Please note: The tables are reserved for experienced players. Would you like to 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 <a href="mailto:tmus55@aol.com">tmus55@aol.com</a> or call the library.

### 20's & 30's



#### Books n' Beverages Book Club

Thursday, July 11 @ 7:00 pm

I'm Glad My Mom Died by Jennette McCurdy

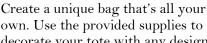
A heartbreaking and hilarious memoir by iCarly and Sam & Cat star Jennette McCurdy about her struggles as a former child actor—including eating disorders, addiction, and a complicated relationship with her overbearing mother—and how she retook control of her life. Told with refreshing candor and dark humor, *I'm Glad My Mom Died* is an inspiring story of resilience, independence, and the joy of shampooing your own hair.

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

### Teens (7-12th Grade)

#### **Tote Bags**

Tuesday, July 2 @ 2:00-4:00 pm



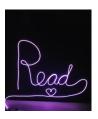
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#### **DIY Neon Signs**

Tuesday, July 9 @ 2:00-4:00 pm

Learn how to design and make your own eye-catching neon sign!



#### Writers Wednesday

Wednesday, July 10, 17, and 24 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

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, July 11 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

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

#### Puzzles and Pie

Tuesday, July 16 @ 2:00-4:00 pm

Earn some extra library dollars by racing against other teams to complete your puzzle the fastest (and snack on some pie while you do so)!

#### **Board Game Night**

Thursday, July 18 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

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

# The Great Rubber Duck Adventure

May 27-July 22

Want to earn some extra library dollars for the auction?

All summer long you can submit pictures of your rubber duck (or ducks) going on an adventure. Each unique submission will earn you an extra \$3 for the auction. After the contest closes, we will open voting to determine the best picture(s) and award a prize. See our website for the submission form.







#### **Anime Club**

Thursday, July 25 @ 4:00-6:00 pm

Come watch and discuss anime with other fans!

#### **Teen Summer Reading Auction**

Tuesday, July 23 @ 2:00-4:00 pm

End the summer reading program with great prizes! Use those library dollars you earned over the summer to bid on the prizes you want.

The auction starts at 2:15pm so get there early to get your dollars & look over the prizes before it starts!

# Babies - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

#### **Outdoor 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. Wiggle Workshop will be downstairs in the event of inclement weather.

#### Willy the Wizard

Wednesday, July 10 @ 2:00-3:00 pm

Come watch a unique blend of comedy and magic that creates amazing memories with this high energy entertainer.

Registration required and will begin July 1st.

#### Reader's Theater: Endlessly Ever After

Friday, July 12 @ 1:00-3:00 pm 3rd-6th Grade

This will be a Reader's Theatre like we have never done before!! We will be attempting to adapt a Little Red Riding Hood Choose Your Own Adventure book. Have you seen the Clue movie with multiple endings? This will be like that...maybe? No acting experience necessary. This program begins at 1pm and there will be no lunch provided. Families are encouraged to come at 3:00 pm to view the final performance.

Registration required and will begin July 1st.

#### STEAM Activity: Building a Racecar!

Wednesday, July 17 @ 11:00-12:00 pm OR 1:00-2:00 pm

Let's build, decorate, and even race science-powered toy cars. Attendees will need to be able to blow up their own balloon.

Registration is required and will begin July 8th.

#### **Mad Science**

Wednesday, July 24 @ 2:00-3:00 pm

Biblio the Superhero will bring a fascinating science show that will entertain both children and parents alike. See amazing chemical reactions, fantastic forces, and more!

Registration required and will begin July 15th.

### Storytimes with Mr. Patrick

For our July Storytimes, get ready for campfire songs, new books, bicycles, cows, and sharks! We're also going to host our very own Olympics! We will be closed on July 4th to celebrate Independence Day.

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 mornings @10:00 - 10:30 am All Ages Storytime (Weather permitting, we will be outdoors; please bring a blanket or chair to sit on.)

#### BINGO with Miss Jen

Wednesday, July 31 @ 11:00 am-12:00 pm OR 1:00-2:00 pm

It's time for B-I-N-G-O with Miss Jen! Come have some fun with friends in our nice and cool community room and play some Bingo for the chance to win some prizes.

Registration required and will begin July 22nd.

#### **Scavenger Hunt**

June 28 - July 7

Come find out what Camper Bear is doing in the library. Solve his riddle and receive a prize!

# Children's Craft of the Month: "Firecracker Craft"

Have a "blast" making this little firecracker craft with a few supplies we can provide for you! We will continue to share our July craft while supplies last.



#### LEGO Club: K-5th Grade

Wednesday, July 31 @ 4:00-5:30 pm

Join us for a low-key night of brick-building fun. In the summer, we will have building challenges you can participate in if you want your creation displayed upstairs. Our second Summer Challenge: Build a Bird Creature.

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. No registration is required, but space is limited.

