

# February @ your library®

## Your monthly guide to the Wichita Public Library • February 2009

Unless otherwise noted, all events are FREE. With 48-hour notice, the Library can provide signed programs and meet other special needs; call (316) 261-8590 for details. Seating is limited. The Central Library can accommodate larger groups; call 261-8500 for information. Programs are made possible in part by the City of Wichita. Thanks also to the Wichita Public Library Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Friends of the Wichita Public Library for making many of these programs possible.

### African-American History Month Celebration

#### Family Stories with Madafo

Storytelling was—and still is—the perfect way to jumpstart a child's imagination, instill core values and educate them about the world. Storyteller and musician Madafo Lloyd Wilson entertains and instructs all ages with stories and drumming from the African-American tradition. Bring the whole family! Don't miss his workshop for parents and teachers, listed inside on page 2. (45-60 minutes)

#### Angelou Northeast Branch Library

Friday, Feb. 6, 7:00 p.m.

(special after-hours event, doors open at 6:30 p.m.)

#### Alford Branch Library

Saturday, Feb. 7, 10:30 a.m.

#### Rockwell Branch Library

Saturday, Feb. 7, 1:00 p.m.

#### Between Harlem and Modernism:

#### Aaron Douglas and the Harlem Renaissance

The Hall Center for the Humanities presents art historian Susan Earle. Dr. Earle's lecture will survey the work of Kansas native Aaron Douglas, the foremost visual artist of the Harlem Renaissance, and the process of organizing the first-ever touring retrospective of his work. This event is made possible by the generous support of the Lattner Family Foundation and is co-sponsored by the KU Alumni Association and its Wichita Chapter. The Wichita Public Library is a partner in this event.

Wichita Art Museum, 1400 W. Museum Blvd.

Thursday, Feb. 26, 7:30 p.m.

### 23rd Annual Academy Award® Shorts

The tradition continues! View Academy Award® nominated animation, live action and documentary short films. Films may not be suitable for all audiences. (Running time varies.)

#### Warren Theatre Old Town, 353 N. Mead

Animation, live action and documentary short subjects

Saturday, Feb. 21, 10:00 a.m.

#### Rockwell Branch Library

Animation and live action shorts

Sunday, Feb. 22, 1:00 p.m.

#### Evergreen Branch Library

Animation and live action shorts

Monday, Feb. 23, 5:00 p.m.

#### Westlink Branch Library

Animation and live action shorts

Tuesday, Feb. 24, 5:00 p.m.

#### Central Library

Documentary shorts

Wednesday, Feb. 25, 5:00 p.m.

#### Alford Branch Library

Animation, live action and documentary shorts

Saturday, Feb. 28, 10:00 a.m.

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## Events for Adults

### Central Library

#### Crafts 4 Fun

Adults need creativity in their lives. This is your chance to come and learn how to crochet. We'll provide the supplies. Come have fun with us! Registration begins Wednesday, Jan. 28; call 261-8500. (1.5 hours)  
Tuesday, Feb. 10, 7:00 p.m.

#### Senior Wednesday: Real Men, Real Heroes

Learn more about how African-American men in our community serve as role models, setting the standard for a new generation of young men and breaking the cycle of poverty and hopelessness. Offered in cooperation with nine other cultural institutions in Wichita, Senior Wednesdays are designed for active seniors and made possible by the Kansas Health Foundation, a private philanthropic organization dedicated to improving the health of all Kansans. (60 minutes)  
Wednesday, Feb. 11, 1:30 p.m.

### Alford Branch Library

#### Sundays @ Alford: Oceans of Kansas

Journey back 85 million years to observe many of the strange and wonderful creatures that inhabited the oceans of the earth in the Age of Dinosaurs. Mike Everhart has been an adjunct curator of paleontology at the Sternberg Museum of Natural History in Hays, Kansas for more than 30 years and won a 2006 Kansas Notable Book Award. (45-60 minutes)  
Sunday, Feb. 1, 2:30 p.m.

#### Women of the Western Gold Fields

The gold camps of the 1800s were dominated by men, yet women lived there too. Women usually did the cooking and washing, and sometimes less savory activities. Historian Sara Jane Richter gives a talk on how some women made fortunes to rival the most successful miners. This lecture also marks the Society's quarterly meeting, which is open to the public. Co-sponsored by the Wichita Genealogical Society. (2 hours)  
Saturday, Feb. 21, 1:00 p.m.

### Angelou Branch Library

#### Using Stories to Teach and Reach

Parents, teachers and interested storytellers will be led through a series of simple storytelling exercises and musical demonstrations, helping them better understand a child's perspective and allowing the connection to real learning to begin. Madafo Lloyd Wilson leads this workshop to discuss the plight of our youth and the responsibility we have to positively impact their lives through the simplicity of storytelling and music. Registration is required and begins Wednesday, Jan. 14; call 688-9580. (1.5 hours)  
Saturday, Feb. 7, 3:00 p.m.

## 6th Annual Adult Winter Reading Program

# The Reading Buffet



January 2 - March 31, 2009

Devour great books during The Reading Buffet: The Wichita Public Library's 6th Annual Adult Winter Reading Program.

The Reading Buffet asks that you read six books from any of these dinner themes:

- Black Tie Affair (Biography)
- Candlelight Dinner (Romance)
- Chuckwagon (Western)
- Extraterrestrial Banquet (Science Fiction and Fantasy)
- Whodunit Evening (Mystery)
- Potluck (Free Choice)

Books must be read (or listened to) Jan. 2-Mar. 31, 2009 and may include unabridged audiobooks.

For each book read, you may submit an entry form included in this brochure in monthly prize drawings for Warren Theatres movie tickets and Friends of the Wichita Public Library book bags. Entry forms can be turned in at any Wichita Public Library service desk. You may enter more than once per month. All entries received by the last day of the month will be eligible for the drawings held the following month. After you have read six books, you may submit your grand prize entry form to any Library service desk. For more information visit any library location or the Library's website.

### Grand Prize: 1 Winner

Overnight stay for 2 at  
Castle Inn Riverside

### 2nd Prize: 3 Winners

\$50 Visa gift card

### Other Prizes:

Friends of the Wichita Public Library Gold Card  
memberships and bookbags  
\$20 Borders gift certificates  
\$20 Watermark Books & Café  
gift certificates

## Read Books. Win Prizes!

## Storytimes & More

### Nursery Rhyme Time

Music, rhymes, activities and stories for children ages 2 and under with an adult helper. (20 minutes)

#### Central Library

Wednesdays, Jan. 14-April 8, 10:30 a.m.

Fridays, Jan. 16-April 10, 10:30 a.m.

#### Rockwell Branch Library

Tuesdays, Jan. 20-April 7, 10:30 a.m. and 11:05 a.m.

#### Westlink Branch Library

Fridays, Jan. 16-April 10, 10:30 a.m.

### Toddler Time

Stories, rhymes and motion activities for 2-year-olds with an adult helper. Registration required; contact the hosting library to register. (20 minutes)

#### Alford Branch Library

Tuesdays, Jan. 20-April 7, 10:30 a.m.

#### Rockwell Branch Library

Thursdays, Jan. 22-April 9, 10:30 a.m.

#### Westlink Branch Library

Tuesdays, Jan. 13-Feb. 17, 10:30 a.m.

Tuesdays, Feb. 24-March 31, 10:30 a.m.

### Preschool Storytime

Stories, fingerplays and more for children aged 3-6. No session Monday, Feb. 16. (30 minutes)

#### Central Library

Tuesdays, Jan. 13-April 7, 10:30 a.m.

#### Alford Branch Library

Mondays, Jan. 26-April 6, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesdays, Jan. 21-April 8, 10:30 a.m.

#### Evergreen Branch Library

Wednesdays, Jan. 14-April 8, 10:30 a.m.

(English/Spanish bilingual storytime)

#### Rockwell Branch Library

Wednesdays, Jan. 21-April 8, 10:30 a.m.

#### Westlink Branch Library

Tuesdays, Jan. 13-April 7, 10:30 a.m. (children only)

### Family Storytime

Interactive storytelling and activities for children aged 2-7 with their families. (30 minutes)

#### Westlink Branch Library

Wednesdays, Jan. 14-April 8, 10:30 a.m.

Thursdays, Jan. 15-April 2, 7:00 p.m.

## Special Children's & Teen Events

### Central Library

#### Puppet Shows

For children aged 3-10. Enjoy "Jack at the Bottom of the Sea" on Feb. 3. Enjoy "My Fair Share" on Feb. 24 with its spin on the tale of the tortoise and the hare. \*Starred programs indicate repeat performances. (20-30 minutes)

Tuesday, Feb. 3, 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.\*

Tuesday, Feb. 24, 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.\*

### Alford Branch Library

#### Family Nursery Rhyme Time Jamboree

Do you have kids with a beat? Bring your young ones up to age five to dance and sing your way through Mother Goose nursery rhymes. (30 minutes)

Saturday, Feb. 21, 10:30 a.m.

### Angelou Northeast Branch Library

#### Make and Take Craft

Children aged 3-11 will make a craft project that they can take home.

Drop in anytime between 1:00-5:00 p.m. (Available 4 hours)

Saturday, Feb. 21, 1:00 p.m.

### Evergreen Branch Library

#### It's for the Birds

Families will make pine cones and cereal into bird feeders, and listen to stories about birds. (45-60 minutes)

Thursday, Feb. 19, 7:00 p.m.

### Westlink Branch Library

#### Mush! Iditarod Competitors

#### Karen Land and Boraġe

More people have reached the summit of Mount Everest than have made it to the Iditarod finish line behind a dog team, but Karen Land finished her first time in just under 14 days. Learn about how she got involved with sled dog racing and what led her to participate in the sport's most grueling race. You can also meet her Alaskan Husky Boraġe! For ages 6 and up. (60 minutes)



Tuesday, Feb. 3, 7:00 p.m.

#### Puppet Show

For children aged 3-10. (20-30 minutes)

Thursday, Feb. 19, 7:00 p.m.

## Monthly Book Discussions

These book discussion groups meet every month, are open to the public and require no advance registration. Books may be available for checkout at the hosting branch; contact the branch for details. (60 minutes unless otherwise noted)

### Central Library

3rd Tuesdays Group  
 "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil" by John Berendt  
 Tuesday, Feb. 17, 7:00 p.m.

### Alford Branch Library

Masters of Mystery  
 "Seven Sisters" by Earlene Fowler  
 Wednesday, Feb. 25, 7:00 p.m.

### Evergreen Branch Library

1st Tuesdays Group  
 "Stones from the River" by Ursula Hegi  
 Tuesday, Feb. 3, 1:00 p.m.

### 1st Thursdays Group

"The Heart is a Lonely Hunter" by Carson McCullers  
 Thursday, Feb. 5, 7:00 p.m.

### 3rd Thursdays Group

"I Feel Bad About My Neck: And Other Thoughts on Being a Woman" by Nora Ephron  
 Thursday, Feb. 19, 1:00 p.m.

### Orchard Park Branch Library

1st Fridays Group  
 "Pontoon" by Garrison Keillor  
 Friday, Feb. 6, 1:00 p.m.

### Rockwell Branch Library

Cozy Mystery  
 "The Tale of Hill Top Farm" by Susan Wittig Albert  
 Monday, Feb. 23, 1:00 p.m.

### Westlink Branch Library

3rd Tuesdays Group  
 "The Children's Blizzard" by David Laskin  
 Tuesday, Feb. 17, 12:45 p.m.

## It's Tax Time

This year, the Library is pleased to announce a partnership with the United Way to bring tax assistance to qualified customers by hosting visits by the tax van, a mobile tax preparation office. Those who qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit can have their taxes prepared free of charge. The IRS has increased the income limits to be eligible for the Earned Income Tax Credit. It is now \$42,000 per year for a family of four.

### Alford Branch Library

Wednesday, Feb. 11, 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

### Evergreen Branch Library

Thursday, Feb. 12, 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

### Rockwell Branch Library

Monday, Feb. 9, 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

### Westlink Branch Library

Tuesday, Feb. 10, 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

An appointment is required to visit the tax van. Qualifying people may call Colleen Parker at United Way at 267-1321 beginning Friday, Jan. 30. There are other opportunities to visit the tax van. A complete schedule is available by calling United Way's community information line at 2-1-1.

## Technology Training

### Hands-on Help:

### Job Applications and Résumés

Visit the Technology Training Center at the Central Library anytime during the two-hour block for a freeform session of computer coaching for jobseekers. Bring your specific question or project. Seats limited to ten. Registration not required.  
 Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2:30 p.m.

## Did You Know?

The Wichita Public Library is your source for tax forms. Last year, the Library distributed over 72,000 tax booklets and forms!

## Wichita Public Library Locations

**Central Library** ▲ Mon.-Thu. 10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
 261-8500 Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.  
 223 S. Main Sun. 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.  
 (Near Douglas & Main)

**Alford** ☼▲☼ Mon.-Thu. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
 337-9119 Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
 3447 S. Meridian Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
 (Near I-235 & S. Meridian)

**Angelou** Tues. 1:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
**Northeast** ☼▲ Wed.-Sat. 11:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
 688-9580 Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
 3051 E. 21st Closed Mon.  
 (Near 21st & Hillside)

**Comotara** ▲ Mon., Wed., Thu. 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
 688-9350 Tues., Fri., Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
 2244 N. Rock Rd Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
*Inside Dillons*  
 (At 21st & Rock)

**Evergreen** ☼▲☼ Mon.-Thu. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
 303-8181 Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
 2601 N. Arkansas Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
 (At 25th & Arkansas)

**Linwood** ▲ Mon. 12:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
 337-9125 Tues.-Fri. 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
 1901 S. Kansas Closed Sat. and Sun.  
 (Near Mt. Vernon & Hydraulic)

**Orchard Park** ▲ Mon. 1:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
 337-9084 Tues.-Fri. 11:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
 4808 W. 9th Closed Sat. and Sun.  
 (Near 9th & West)

**Rockwell** ☼▲ Mon.-Thu. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
 688-9361 Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
 5939 E. 9th Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
 (Near 9th & Edgemoor)

**Westlink** ☼▲ Mon.-Thu. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
 337-9456 Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
 8515 Bekemeyer Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
 (Near Central & Tyler)

**Planeview Community Library**  
 (Operated by Colvin Elementary School)  
 973-7609 Mon.-Fri. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
 2820 S. Roosevelt Except school holidays  
 (Near Ross Parkway and in-service days  
 & Hillside) Closed Sat. and Sun.

All Wichita Public Library locations will be closed Monday, Feb. 16.

Deaf Services TDD Line - 262-3972

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