

April @ your library®

Your monthly guide to the Wichita Public Library ● April 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.

Come Celebrate With Us!

April 12-18, 2009

National Library Week

Central Library

Pajama Time!

Children aged 3-8 will listen to some of our favorite bedtime stories, sing songs and more. Wear your pajamas and bring a stuffed animal if you like. (30-45 minutes)

Thursday, April 16, 7:00 p.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Family Fun Night

Children aged 3-8 and their families will listen to stories, sing songs and make a craft. (45-60 minutes)

Thursday, April 16, 7:00 p.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, April 18, 1:00 p.m.

Westlink Branch Library

Storytellers Galore!

Storytellers from the Wichita Public Library will mesmerize the audience with stories told from around the world. With many years of storytelling experience, this program for all ages will be one you won't want to miss. (60 minutes)

Saturday, April 18, 2:30 p.m.

Alford Branch Library

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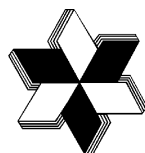
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The grand prize winner of
The Reading Buffet will be announced
during National Library Week. Enter your forms
by March 31 to be eligible to win!

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Events for Adults

Central Library

Crafts & Fun

Adults need creativity in their lives. This is your chance to come and learn a craft. We'll provide the supplies. April's project uses fabric markers to embellish cotton cloth. Come have fun with us! (Registration begins Wednesday, April 1; call 261-8500) (90 minutes)

Tuesday, April 14, 7:00 p.m.

Senior Wednesday

Galapaços Islands: A Photographic Tour

Photographer John Ellert takes you on a virtual tour of one of his favorite destinations: the Galapagos Islands. See the wildlife and nature of this beautiful region. 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, April 8, 1:30 p.m.

Hands-on Help: Microsoft Word

Visit the Technology Training Center at the Central Library anytime during the two-hour block for a freeform session of computer coaching on Microsoft's word processing program. Bring your specific question or project. Seats limited to ten. Registration not required. (2 hours)

Wednesday, April 15, 2:30 p.m.

Alford Branch Library

Sundays@ Alford

An Insider's Guide to India

The award-winning film "Slumdog Millionaire" has made many curious about India. Learn about the many facets of Indian life and culture including government, population, religion, people, dances, food and tourism from Sonam Lalwani. (45-60 minutes)

Sunday, April 5, 2:30 p.m.

Sooners, Boomers and Settlers in the Oklahoma Territory

Explorers, natives and traders crossed Oklahoma long before it became known as Indian Territory or Oklahoma. This lecture describes the Homestead Act of 1862, the records created by this land opening and the locations of these records. Co-sponsored by the Wichita Genealogical Society. (2 hours).

Saturday, April 18, 1:00 p.m.

Teens: We Need Your Help!

As the temperature rises, so does the activity level at the Wichita Public Library. The Summer Reading Club keeps all of our libraries very busy, and that's why we need your help. Sign up as a Teen Volunteer and assist your library in helping over 10,000 youth learn more about the world around them. Summer volunteers are needed from June 1 through July 31.

What Do Teen Volunteers Do?

- Register participants for the Summer Reading Club and Teens Read programs
- Distribute prizes
- Shelf books
- Straighten bookshelves
- Assist with events
- Assist library staff with special projects.

Who Can Apply to Be a Teen Volunteer?

You can, if you:

- Will be 12 years old by June 1 or entering grades 7-12 in the fall
- Can give a minimum of six-week commitment
- Are able to offer two to six hours per week
- Have transportation to and from the library where you volunteer
- Are a dependable and responsible worker
- Are able to alphabetize
- Have your parent's or guardian's permission

What Are the Benefits?

- You'll defeat summer boredom!
- You'll help others enjoy their summer too!
- You'll be helping to improve your library!
- You'll gain valuable work experience!
- You'll get a free volunteer T-shirt!
- Many schools and organizations require community service. Here's one way to make a difference and earn your hours!

If you have questions or wish to apply, visit any Wichita Public Library service desk for assistance or call 261-8500. Applications will be accepted starting April 1 and will be accepted until all positions are filled.

Sign up early as positions fill rapidly!

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.

Toddle 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.

Preschool Storytime

Stories, fingerplays and more for children aged 3-6. (30 minutes)

Central Library

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

Alford Branch Library

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

Alford Branch Library

Dad & Me

Saturday morning is a special time for fathers and their children. Children aged 3-8 with their dads are invited to come to the library for stories, crafts, games and donuts! (30 minutes)

Saturday, April 4, 10:30 a.m.

El Día de los niños / El Día de los libros fiesta

Day of the Child/Day of the Book Fiesta

A family fiesta of bilingual stories and crafts to celebrate children and the power of language. Ages 4-10. (45-60 minutes)

Thursday, April 30, 7:00 p.m.

Evergreen Branch Library

Going Green at the Library

Learn to recycle books and magazines into photo albums and footstools. For children ages 8 and up; adults are welcome. Registration required and begins Wednesday, March 18; call 303-8181 to register. (45-60 minutes)

Saturday, April 4, 2:30 p.m.

Puppet Show

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

Wednesday, April 8, 10:30 a.m.

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Thursday, April 30, 7:00 p.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Readers' Theatre

Children aged 3-10 will enjoy helping our library "actors" perform stories from our favorite books. (45-60 minutes)

Saturday, April 11, 10:30 a.m.

Westlink Branch Library

Puppet Show

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

Thursday, April 9, 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
 "Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Fight Terrorism and Build Nations--One School at a Time" by Greg Mortenson
 Tuesday, April 21, 7:00 p.m.

Alford Branch Library

Masters of Mystery
 "The Street Lawyer" by John Grisham
 Wednesday, April 22, 1:00 p.m.

Evergreen Branch Library

1st Tuesdays Group
 "Marley and Me" by John Grogan
 Tuesday, April 7, 1:00 p.m.

1st Thursdays Group

"The Memory Keeper's Daughter" by Kim Edwards
 Thursday, April 2, 7:00 p.m.

3rd Thursdays Group

"A Walk in the Woods" by Bill Bryson
 Thursday, April 16, 1:00 p.m.

Orchard Park Branch Library

1st Fridays Group
 "The Tailor's Daughter" by Janice Graham
 Friday, April 3, 1:00 p.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Cozy Mystery
 "Death of a Cozy Writer" by G.M. Malliet
 Monday, April 27, 1:00 p.m.

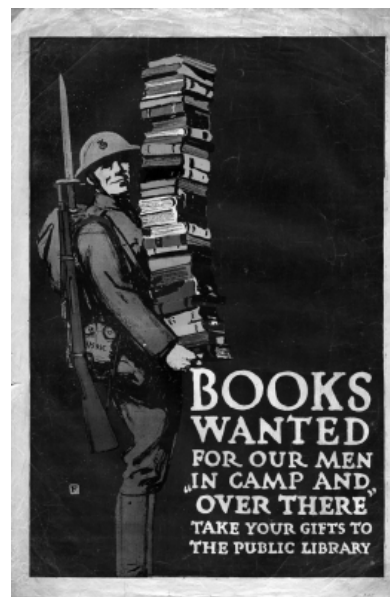
Westlink Branch Library

3rd Tuesdays Group
 "Mornings on Horseback" by David McCullough
 Tuesday, April 21, 12:45 p.m.

"The Winds and Words of War"

From the iconic depiction of Uncle Sam commanding "I Want You for the U.S. Army" to a sleeping Lady Liberty urged to "wake up," World War I posters have long been recognized for their visual power. A traveling exhibit visiting the Central Library offers you a chance to see 40 vintage posters during regular business hours April 1-May 31.

"The Winds and Words of War: World War I Posters and Prints from the San Antonio Public Library Collection" features 40 framed posters created by a group of early 20th century American artists including Charles Dana Gibson, Howard Chandler Christy, James Montgomery Flagg, Guy Lipscombe and Norman Rockwell. Artists worked with organizations to spur item donations, such as the American Library Association's book drive for soldiers' reading material, or to boost volunteerism and recruitment. Others were designed to build support for the war known as the "Great War," "the war to end all wars," and "the war to make the world safe for democracy."



"The Winds and Words of War" is sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts, the Stumberg Foundation, the Tobin Endowment, the City of San Antonio Veteran's Affairs Commission, the San Antonio Public Library, and the San Antonio Public Library Foundation. Allison Hays Lane, director of the Olana Group, curated the exhibition.

Wichita Public Library Locations

Central Library ▲ 261-8500 223 S. Main (Near Douglas & Main)	Mon.-Thu. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Linwood ▲ 337-9125 1901 S. Kansas (Near Mt. Vernon & Hydraulic)	Mon. 12:00 - 8:00 p.m. Tues.-Fri. 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Closed Sat. and Sun.
Alford ☼▲♣ 337-9119 3447 S. Meridian (Near I-235 & S. Meridian)	Mon.-Thu. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Orchard Park ▲ 337-9084 4808 W. 9th (Near 9th & West)	Mon. 1:00 - 8:00 p.m. Tues.-Fri. 11:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Closed Sat. and Sun.
Angelou Northeast ☼▲ 688-9580 3051 E. 21st (Near 21st & Hillside)	Tues. 1:00 - 8:00 p.m. Wed.-Sat. 11:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Closed Mon.	Rockwell ☼▲ 688-9361 5939 E. 9th (Near 9th & Edgemoor)	Mon.-Thu. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Comotara ▲ 688-9350 2244 N. Rock Rd <i>Inside Dillons</i> (At 21st & Rock)	Mon., Wed., Thu. 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Tues., Fri., Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Westlink ☼▲ 337-9456 8515 Bekemeyer (Near Central & Tyler)	Mon.-Thu. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Evergreen ☼▲♣ 303-8181 2601 N. Arkansas (At 25th & Arkansas)	Mon.-Thu. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Fri.-Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sun. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Planeview Community Library (Operated by Colvin Elementary School) 973-7609 2820 S. Roosevelt (Near Ross Parkway & Hillside)	Mon.-Fri. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Except school holidays and in-service days Closed Sat. and Sun.

All Library locations will be closed on Easter Sunday, April 12.

Deaf Services TDD Line - 262-3972

☼ ADA Computer Workstation Available ▲ Book/Video Drop ♣ Cassette/CD/DVD Drop

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