

September @ your library®

Your monthly guide to the Wichita Public Library • September 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.

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month

Come to the library as we celebrate and explore one of the many cultures that create "Our Magic City." Hispanic Heritage Month officially runs Sept. 15-Oct. 15, but you'll find ways to celebrate throughout September and October. Join us for food, music, art and more!

Hispanic Heritage Art Display

Enjoy literature-based artwork created by the children of Plaza de los Niños Head Start program.

Evergreen Branch Library

On display during regular hours, Sept. 15-Oct. 15

Sunday in the Park

In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, the Library hosts an afternoon of family events in Evergreen Park, next to the Evergreen Branch Library. Enjoy roaming flamenco guitar, art projects and other family events. The event is co-sponsored by the 21st Street Community Development Council, AmeriCorps, CityArts, Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Holubec and Loy Law Firm LLC, and LDF Sales and Distributing. (3 hours)

Evergreen Park (next to the Evergreen Branch Library)

Sunday, Sept. 20, 2:00 p.m.

Salsa Making Contest

Showcase your family recipe for salsa. To sign up for the contest, stop by the Evergreen Branch Library or call 303-8181 for details. On Sunday, Sept. 20, bring a batch (at least one quart) of your salsa and the completed recipe card to the Sunday in the Park celebration by 2:00 p.m. Winners will receive a \$25 gift certificate from a local grocery store. (3 hours)

Evergreen Park (next to the Evergreen Branch Library)

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Amigo Man Comics

Anthony Oropeza is the creator of the bilingual comic book series "Amigo Man, the Latin Avenger." Learn more about Amigo Man comic books along with a demonstration of how he draws his character. For ages 10 and up. (60 minutes)

Evergreen Branch Library

Saturday, Sept. 26, 1:00 p.m.

Dora the Explorer Book Party

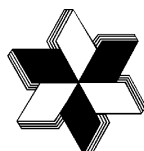
Children aged 3-6 participate in games and crafts based on Dora the Explorer and her friends. Registration is required and starts Wednesday, Sept. 9; contact the Evergreen Branch Library to register. (45 minutes)

Evergreen Branch Library

Saturday, Sept. 26, 2:30 p.m.

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The Discovery Center
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Events for Adults

Central Library

A Five Year Old Could Do That!

Jon Roe, a retired journalist who has been painting for about 20 years, shows new abstract paintings and photographs, many with literary themes. Roe has just recently moved from representational works into very abstract compositions.

Tuesday, Sept. 1 - Wednesday, Sept. 30

Senior Wednesdays: You Be the Judge

Find out if you agree with recent court decisions. Judge G. Joseph Pierron of the Kansas Court of Appeals leads a re-creation of actual Supreme Court cases, with the audience playing the roles of litigants, lawyers and judges. No preparation needed! Have fun gaining new perspectives on the judicial process and debating rights and responsibilities in the United States today. Offered in cooperation with the Kansas Judiciary, Kansas Bar Association and Kansas Humanities Council. Senior Wednesdays (seniorwednesday.org) 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, Sept. 9, 1:30 p.m.

Crafts 4 Fun

Adults need creativity in their lives, so come learn a craft with us each month this fall! Have fun creating greeting cards in September. Registration is required so there will be enough supplies for everyone; call 261-8506 to register. (90 minutes)

Thursday, Sept. 10, 7:00 p.m.

Hands-on Help: Job Skills

Visit the Technology Training Center at the Central Library anytime during the 90-minute block for free form coaching on résumé writing and online submissions, job hunting and other related skills. Bring your specific question or project! (90 minutes)

Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2:30 p.m.

Alford Branch Library

Sundays@ Alford: Postcard Collecting

Wichita Postcard Club President Beverly Henline and Hal Ottaway, chairman of the club's annual postcard show, explain the interest in postcard collecting. See examples of early Wichita postcards and learn how they document our historic past. (60 minutes)

Sunday, Sept. 13, 2:30 p.m.

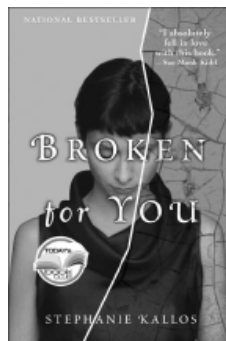
Where Were Your Ancestors When the Mississippi River Ran Backwards? The New Madrid Earthquake

The Mississippi River Valley earthquakes of 1811-1812 rank as some of the United States' largest since its settlement by Europeans. The area of strong shaking associated with these shocks was ten times larger than the 1906 San Francisco earthquake. This lecture reviews the area's history and the records created because of the earthquake. Co-sponsored by the Wichita Genealogical Society. (2 hours)

Saturday, Sept. 19, 1:00 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

"Broken for You" by Stephanie Kallos
Tuesday, Sept. 15, 7:00 p.m.

Alford Branch Library

Masters of Mystery

"Web of Evil" by J. A. Jance
Wednesday, Sept. 23, 7:00 p.m.

Evergreen Branch Library

1st Tuesdays Group

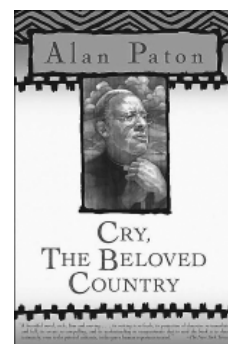
Decision Meeting - No Title
Tuesday, Sept. 1, 1:00 p.m.

1st Thursdays Group

"Dr. Zhivago" by Boris Pasternak
Thursday, Sept. 3, 7:00 p.m.

3rd Thursdays Group

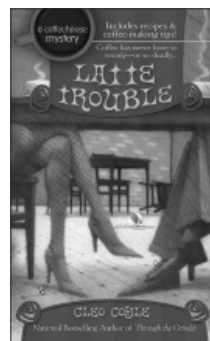
"Cry, the Beloved Country" by Alan Paton
Thursday, Sept. 17, 1:00 p.m.



Orchard Park Branch Library

1st Fridays Group

"Pigs in Heaven" by Barbara Kingsolver
Friday, Sept. 4, 1:00 p.m.



Rockwell Branch Library

Cozy Mystery - Last Mondays

"Latte Trouble" by Cleo Coyle
Monday, Sept. 28, 1:00 p.m.

Westlink Branch Library

3rd Tuesdays Group

"The Sound and the Fury" by William Faulkner
Tuesday, Sept. 15, 12:45 p.m.

Need something to read for your book discussion group?

See the Library's book discussion sets, listed under "Reader's Resources" on the Library's web page. Book discussion sets check out for six weeks. They include background information on the author and questions. Fiction, nonfiction, teen fiction and children's fiction titles are available. The Book Club Choices BookLetter is also a great way to find recommendations.

Events for Children & Families

Nursery Rhyme Time

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

Central Library

Wednesdays, Sept. 9-Dec. 2, 10:30 a.m.

Fridays, Sept. 11-Dec. 4, 10:30 a.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Tuesdays, Sept. 15-Dec. 1, 10:30 a.m. and 11:05 a.m.

Westlink Branch Library

Thursdays, Sept. 17-Dec. 3, 10:30 a.m.

Fridays, Sept. 18-Dec. 4, 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, Sept. 15-Dec. 1, 10:30 a.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Thursdays, Sept. 17-Dec. 3, 10:30 a.m.

Westlink Branch Library

Tuesdays, Sept. 15-Oct. 20, 10:30 a.m.

Preschool Storytime

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

Central Library

Tuesdays, Sept. 8-Dec. 1, 10:30 a.m.

Alford Branch Library

Wednesdays, Sept. 16-Dec. 2, 10:30 a.m.

Evergreen Branch Library

English/Spanish bilingual storytime

Wednesdays, Sept. 9-Nov. 25, 10:30 a.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Wednesdays, Sept. 16-Dec. 2, 10:30 a.m.

Westlink Branch Library

Tuesdays, Sept. 15-Dec. 1, 10:30 a.m. (children only)

Central Library

Puppet Show

For children aged 3-10. The evening performance is a repeat of the morning show. (20-30 minutes)

Thursday, Sept. 24, 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Alford Branch Library

Dad & Me

Saturday morning is a special time for fathers and their children. Children ages 3-8 can bring their dads or a special adult to the library for stories, crafts, games and donuts! (30 minutes)

Saturday, Sept. 19, 10:30 a.m.

Make and Take Craft

Come to the library for some fun crafty projects that you can complete and take home with you. Ages 5-12. (1-2 hours)

Alford Branch Library

Saturday, Sept. 26, 3:30 p.m.

Angelou Northeast Branch Library

Saturday, Sept. 19, 1:30 p.m.

Westlink Branch Library

Family Storytime

Interactive storytelling and activities for children aged 3-7 with their families. (30 minutes)

Wednesdays, Sept. 16-Dec. 2, 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, Sept. 17, 7:00 p.m.

Family Fun Time: All Aboard!

Make tracks to the library for train-time stories, activities and a craft for families with children ages 3 and older. (45 minutes)

Thursday, Sept. 24, 7:00 p.m.



The Big Read Returns!

“Great Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe”

October-November 2009

Visit www.bigreadwichita.org for events, books for young readers and more!

The Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and Arts Midwest.

Save the Date for The Big Read Kickoff

We'll start The Big Read off right with book giveaways, readings, an art exhibit and a special presentation by Ballet Wichita. (2 hours)

Wichita Art Museum, 1400 W. Museum Rd.

Saturday, Oct. 3, 2:00 p.m.

Headed Back to School? Head Back to the Library!

Library Card Sign-Up Month

September is the 22nd Annual Library Card Sign-up Month. The Wichita Public Library joins the American Library Association and libraries across the country to remind parents that a library card is the most important school supply of all. Free of charge, a Wichita Public Library card gives learners of any age access to books, e-resources, music, movies and more.

LearningExpress Library

One of those e-resources for which you'll need a Wichita Public Library card is LearningExpress Library. Take sample college placement (ACT, SAT, etc.), skills improvement, career exams and U.S. citizenship tests online. To access LearningExpress Library, go to the Library's web site at www.wichita.lib.ks.us and visit the Online Reference Sources page. Log in to LearningExpress Library using your full 14-digit Wichita Public Library card number as your user name.

HomeworkKansas

You've got homework. We've got help! The Wichita Public Library, in partnership with Kan-Ed and the State Library of Kansas, offers live tutoring over the Internet for kindergarten-12th grade, college introduction level students, and adult learners daily 8 a.m. - 11 p.m. For Spanish-speaking students, assistance is available from Sunday-Thursday, 4:00-9:00 p.m.

Connect to homework help by going to the Online Reference Sources page of the Library web site and selecting **HomeworkKansas**.

Students will be asked for their grade level, the subject they need help in, some information about their question and within a few minutes will be connected to an expert tutor. Students can receive help in math, science, social studies or English.

Kansas Library Card

One of the fantastic things about electronic resources is their accessibility beyond regular library hours and facilities. Working on research at 2 a.m.? Full-text magazine and journal articles (InfoTrac), library catalogs from around the world via WorldCat, encyclopedias (World Book, World Book Kids) -- even genealogical research with Heritage Quest is available to you 24/7 with the Kansas Library Card. Get yours at any library service desk or start using online resources right away with a temporary card at www.kslc.org.

NewsBank

The Wichita Eagle's archives are available electronically back to 1986. Need earlier information? Visit the Central Library's Genealogy and Local History section for the Wichita Eagle, Wichita Beacon and Wichita Eagle-Beacon archives on microfilm.

There's More to Explore . . .

Your library offers great e-resources to help recommend new books, research businesses, and explore controversial topics. Don't see what you need? Just ask a library staff member for help.

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 Pkwy & Hillside)	Mon.-Fri. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Except school holidays and in-service days Closed Sat. and Sun.

All Wichita Public Library locations will be closed Sunday, Sept. 5, and Monday, Sept. 6, in observance of Labor Day.

Manage your Library Account by Phone: 262-6991 Deaf Services TDD Line: 262-3972

All Wichita Public Library locations offer public internet access and materials depositories. ☺ ADA Computer Workstation Available

Check the Library catalog and manage your account online at www.wichita.lib.ks.us.