

January @ your library®

Your monthly guide to the Wichita Public Library • January 2010

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.



Free to Read The 7th Annual Adult Winter Reading Program

Exercise your freedoms with **Free to Read**: The Wichita Public Library's 7th Annual Adult Winter Reading Program, designed for readers 16 years of age and up. The program runs Jan. 2-Feb. 28, 2010.

Read books. Win prizes.

Grand Prize: One Winner

Overnight stay for two
at The Castle Inn Riverside

2nd Prize: Three Winners

\$50 Visa gift card

Other Prizes

Friends of the Wichita Public Library
Gold Card memberships and bookbags,
Warren Theatres movie tickets,
gift certificates to area merchants,
and much more!

Free to Read invites you to read six books from these themes:

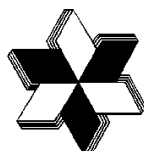
- ★ Free to Live (Biography)
- ★ Free to Love (Romance)
- ★ Free to Ride (Western)
- ★ Free to Imagine (Science Fiction and Fantasy)
- ★ Free to Solve (Mystery)
- ★ Free to Choose (Free Choice)

What should you read? It's your choice! You may read one from each category or read entirely in one category. Visit the Library's web site at www.wichita.lib.ks.us for thematic bibliographies.

For each book read, you may submit an entry for monthly prize drawings. After reading six books, you may enter for the grand prize drawing. When you enter for the grand prize the first time, you will receive a finisher's prize consisting of a mug, magnetic bookmark, pen, tea bag, cocoa packet, and a \$5 gift certificate to the Friends of the Library Bookstore. Look for brochures at the Library for complete rules and entry forms.

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WICHITA PUBLIC LIBRARY
The Discovery Center
www.wichita.lib.ks.us



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

Fridays, Jan. 15-April 9, 10:30 a.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Tuesdays, Jan. 19-April 6, 10:30 a.m.

Westlink Branch Library

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

Fridays, Jan. 15-April 9, 10:30 a.m.

Toddle Time

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

Alford Branch Library

Tuesdays, Jan. 19-March 30, 10:30 a.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

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

Westlink Branch Library

Session 1: Tuesdays, Jan. 12-Feb. 16, 10:30 a.m.

Register now for Tuesdays, Feb. 23-March 30, 10:30 a.m.

Preschool Storytime

Stories, fingerplays and more for ages 3-6. Evergreen's sessions are bilingual (English and Spanish). (30 minutes)

Central Library

Tuesdays, Jan. 12-April 6, 10:30 a.m.

Alford Branch Library

Wednesdays, Jan. 20-March 31, 10:30 a.m.

Evergreen Branch Library

Wednesdays, Jan. 13-March 31, 10:30 a.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

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

Westlink Branch Library

Tuesdays, Jan. 12-April 6, 10:30 a.m. (children only)

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, Jan. 21, 7:00 p.m.

Alford Branch Library

National Puzzle Day

Ages 7-10 will be engaged and entertained as they enjoy solving and creating puzzles. (45-60 minutes)

Thursday, Jan. 28, 7:00 p.m.

Evergreen Branch Library

Spiderwick Book Party

Enjoy games and crafts for ages 8-11 based on the Spiderwick Chronicles books by Holly Black and Tony DiTerlizzi. Registration is required and begins Wednesday, Jan. 20; contact the Evergreen Branch Library. (45 minutes)

Saturday, Jan. 30, 2:30 p.m.

Westlink Branch Library

Family Storytime

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

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

Thursdays, Jan. 14 and Jan. 21, 7:00 p.m.

Family Fun Time: Party with the Pigeon and Other Strange Birds

A variety of activities for families with children ages 3 and older. (45-60 minutes)

Thursday, Jan. 28, 7:00 p.m.

You've got homework. We've got help!

The Wichita Public Library, in partnership with Kan-Ed and the State Library of Kansas, brings you HomeworkKansas. HomeworkKansas 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 everyday 1-11 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. Special resource centers for adult learners focus on careers and citizenship.

Through HomeworkKansas, a student can upload a paper for a tutor's help. A whiteboard makes it easy to work math problems together. Tutors can recommend web sites that can be beneficial for students. HomeworkKansas also provides thousands of worksheets, tutorials and study guides for learning without a tutor. From arithmetic to calculus, HomeworkKansas can help!

Events for Adults

Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America's Women Physicians

Discover how women are changing the face of medicine. A new traveling exhibition tells the remarkable story of how women struggled for the right to study in medical schools and to practice medicine in the United States. Women are now represented in every area of medicine—they are researchers, educators, surgeons, family practitioners, specialists, and government medical officials.

Central Library

Through Wednesday, Jan. 20

The traveling exhibition "Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America's Women Physicians" was developed by the Exhibition Program of the History of Medicine Division of the National Library of Medicine in collaboration with the American Library Association Public Programs Office. The traveling exhibition has been made possible by the National Library of Medicine and the National Institutes of Health Office of Research on Women's Health. The American Medical Women's Association provided additional support.

The exhibition's visit to Wichita and related programming has been assisted by the Medical Society of Sedgwick County, Via Christi Health, KU School of Medicine-Wichita, the Wichita Public Library Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities and the City of Wichita. Look for related exhibits at The Kansas African American Museum and Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum.



Above: An illustration of anatomical lectures at the Women's Medical College of the New York Infirmary, Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper, April 16, 1870. The Women's Medical College was founded by Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell and her sister, Emily Blackwell, in 1869. National Library of Medicine, Images from the History of Medicine. Left: S. Josephine Baker, M.D., Dr. P.H., was a prominent public health physician during the first half of the 20th century. Library of Congress, Prints and Photographs Division, LC-USZ62-058326, ca. 1920.



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Central Library

A Lady Alone - Elizabeth Blackwell: First Woman Doctor in America

Linda Gray Kelley performs a one-woman show of the life of Elizabeth Blackwell. The play, written by N. Lynn Deckert, M.D., highlights the struggles encountered and barriers overcome in her quest to practice medicine at a time when medicine was not considered a suitable occupation for women. The presentation is co-sponsored by Via Christi Health, the Medical Society of Sedgwick County, and the National Endowment for the Humanities. The afternoon presentation is part of Senior Wednesday, a series 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, Jan. 13, 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 13, 7:00 p.m.

Hands-on Help: Computer Basics

Ask your basic computing questions anytime during this freeform session. Bring your specific question or project. No registration required. Meets in the Technology Training Center on the first floor. (90 minutes)

Thursday, Jan. 14, 10:30 a.m.

Hands-on Help: Finding It on the Internet

Get your questions about searching the Internet answered anytime during this freeform session. Bring your specific task or project. No registration required. Meets in the Technology Training Center on the first floor. (90 minutes)

Wednesday, Jan. 20, 2:30 p.m.

Alford Branch Library

The Living Legacy

This educational and entertaining event shows how photo restoration and animation can be used to preserve your family history for generations to come. Co-sponsored by the Wichita Genealogical Society. (90 minutes)

Saturday, Jan. 16, 2:00 p.m.

Westlink Branch Library

Identity Theft Prevention

Identity theft is on the rise and can wreak havoc in the lives of its victims. Join us to learn steps that you can take to protect yourself against this crime. Presented with the assistance of the Wichita Police Department. (45 minutes)

Tuesday, Jan. 26, 7:00 p.m.

Monthly Book

Discussions

These groups 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)

Central Library

3rd Tuesdays Group

"The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society" by Mary Ann Shaffer

Tuesday, Jan. 19, 7:00 p.m.

Alford Branch Library

Masters of Mystery (4th Wednesdays) Group

"Killing Floor" by Lee Child and "The Shack" by William P. Young

Wednesday, Jan. 27, 7:00 p.m.

Evergreen Branch Library

1st Tuesdays Group

"The Great Railway Bazaar" by Paul Theroux

Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1:00 p.m.

1st Thursdays Group

"Family Tree" by Barbara Delinsky

Thursday, Jan. 7, 7:00 p.m.

Orchard Park Branch Library

1st Fridays Group

"Tears of the Giraffe" by Alexander McCall Smith

Friday, Jan. 8, 1:00 p.m.

Rockwell Branch Library

Cozy Mystery - Last Mondays

"A Morbid Taste for Bones" by Ellis Peters

Monday, Jan. 25, 1:00 p.m.

Westlink Branch Library

3rd Tuesdays Group

"The Old Man and the Sea" by Ernest Hemingway

Tuesday, Jan. 19, 12:45 p.m.

I've Read Everything -- Now What?

What do you do when you've read everything by your favorite author? Discover a new one! Your library has several tools to help you find the writers you may have missed.

Sign Up for BookLetters

If you love mysteries, you'll want to receive the Library's monthly e-mail newsletter that recommends new mysteries. There are BookLetters for every taste -- audio books, inspirational, romance, business, science fiction, teens, children's books and many more. Sign up at www.wichita.lib.ks.us or look for the blue sign-up forms at a service desk.

Explore the Library's Catalog

The Library's catalog is a wealth of information. Many books feature reviews and some allow you to "find similar titles" right from the catalog based on genres, topics, settings, time periods or other attributes. Try searching for one of your favorite books to find recommendations. Explore with different searches, such as "browse" or "advanced," to find new materials. Scan the "New Books" link off the catalog's front page to see the latest titles.

Use NoveList

Connect to NoveList from the Online Reference Sources page of the Library web site. NoveList allows you to find similar books based on character, setting, subject or themes. A lexile chart can help determine appropriate reading levels. NoveList is also handy for finding series and award information.

Stop By the Reference Desk

Our staff have resources that can help find new authors based on the books you already know you like. Love the writing of John Grisham? We can help point you to other novels like his. You can also call the reader's advisory desk at 261-8511 for assistance.

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., except
2820 S. Roosevelt school holidays & in-service days
(Near Ross Pkwy & Hillside)

All Library locations are closed Friday, Jan. 1, and Monday, Jan. 18.

Manage Your Account by Phone: 262-6991 Deaf Services TDD: 262-3972 ☼ ADA Computer Workstation Available

All Wichita Public Library locations offer public internet access and materials depositories.

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