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## Your monthly guide to the Wichita Public Library • May 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.

## In Their Own Words . . .

### *Kansans Tell Their Stories*

A traveling exhibition at the Central Library May 3-June 11 helps document the varied experiences of Kansans, including Wichita's El Huerache neighborhood, Fort Scott's African-American heritage, Garden City's Vietnamese community, and the Volga-German culture in Collyer.

For five years, the Kansas Humanities Council has supported special Kansans Tell Their Stories projects that have explored what it means to be a Kansan. Many, like those in this exhibit, have conducted oral histories and researched community heritage.

"These stories from across the state were researched and written by local community organizations," said Julie Mulvihill, Executive Director of the Kansas Humanities Council. "Together, they inspire curiosity about our past and really get us thinking about our own histories."

### Central Library

May 3 - June 11

KANSAS



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Kansans Tell Their Stories project is made possible by funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities. The Kansas Humanities Council conducts and supports community-based programs, serves as a financial resource through an active grant-making program, and encourages Kansans to participate in their communities.

### *Senior Wednesday: Getting the Community to Talk*

Jay Price, the director of the Public History Program at Wichita State University, talks about the promises and pitfalls of oral interviews and their relationship to local history. Senior Wednesdays ([seniorwednesday.org](http://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)

### Central Library

Wednesday, May 12, 1:30 p.m.

### *"45365"*

The Library hosts the Wichita's premiere of "45365," the critically acclaimed documentary from Bill and Turner Ross that is a "dizzingly detailed, thoughtful, sympathetic but highly pragmatic celebration of the modern Midwest in all its beauty, complexity, stupidity and brilliance," writes Tom Huddleston for Time Out London. "45365" is a portrait of an Ohio city and its people. Part of the Library's 25th Annual Academy Award® Shorts Celebration. (90 minutes)

Winner: Truer than Fiction Award, Film Independent Spirit Awards

Winner: Grand Jury Award, SXSW Film Festival

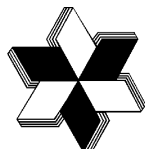
Honorable Mention: HBO Emerging Filmmaker Award,  
Full Frame Documentary Film Festival

### Central Library

Thursday, May 20, 6:30 p.m.

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# Events for Adults

## Central Library

### Hands-on Help: Photo Sharing

Visit the Technology Training Center at the Central Library anytime during the session for tips and tricks for sharing photographs online with friends and family. Bring your specific question or project. Meets in the Technology Training Center on the first floor. (90 minutes)

Thursday, May 13, 10:30 a.m.

### Hands-on Help: Vacation Planning

Visit the Technology Training Center at the Central Library anytime during the session for assistance finding helpful travel information online. Bring your specific question or project. Meets in the Technology Training Center on the first floor. (90 minutes)

Wednesday, May 19, 2:30 p.m.

### Pardon Our Progress

In May, the Westlink Branch Library is scheduled to receive renovations to improve customer service. Watch our web site or Facebook page for updates.

## Alford Branch Library

### The Germans from Russia

President Karen Penner of the Golden Wheat Chapter of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia introduces how and why three German groups (Catholic, Lutheran or Protestant, and Mennonite) went to Russia. She details their villages, colonies and where they lived in Russia, then concentrates on why they left and how they ended up in Kansas (and other areas of Germans from Russia). This quarterly meeting of the Wichita Genealogical Society is free and open to the public. (2 hours)

Saturday, May 15, 1:00 p.m.

## Rockwell Branch Library

### Women's Suffrage Book Discussion Series

Presented in partnership with the League of Women Voters, this five-part book discussion series is led by scholars from the community in celebration of the 90th anniversary of women's right to vote. Men and women are invited to attend and learn more about the pioneers who changed the U.S. political landscape. May's discussion on Jean H. Baker's "Sisters: The Lives of America's Suffragists" will be led by Pat McDonald. (60 minutes)

Tuesday, May 25, 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 Maltese Falcon" by Dashiell Hammett

Tuesday, May 18, 7:00 p.m.

### Rockwell Branch Library

Cozy Mystery (Last Mondays)

"Last Ditch" by Ngaio Marsh

Monday, May 24, 1:00 p.m.



### Alford Branch Library

Masters of Mystery (4th Wednesdays) Group

"Cream Puff Murder" by Joanne Fluke

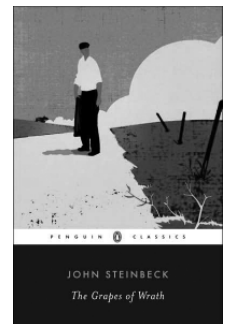
Wednesday, May 26, 7:00 p.m.

### Westlink Branch Library

3rd Tuesdays Group

"The Grapes of Wrath" by John Steinbeck

Tuesday, May 18, 12:45 p.m.



### Evergreen Branch Library

1st Tuesdays Group

"The Widow of the South" by Robert Hicks

Tuesday, May 4, 1:00 p.m.

1st Thursdays Group

"We Are Our Mother's Daughters" by Cokie Roberts

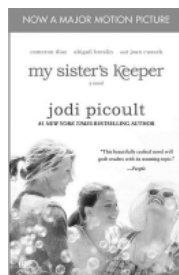
Thursday, May 6, 7:00 p.m.

### Orchard Park Branch Library

1st Fridays Group

"My Sister's Keeper" by Jodi Picoult

Friday, May 7, 1:00 p.m.



### Did you know . . .

The Wichita Public Library checks out entire book discussion sets? It's a great resource for your own book club! Sets check out for six weeks and include questions to jump start your group's discussion, author information and multiple copies of the same book. A wide variety of fiction, nonfiction, teen fiction and children's fiction titles are available. For a complete list, visit [www.wichita.lib.ks.us](http://www.wichita.lib.ks.us) and look for the Book Discussion Sets link under "Readers." You may also call 261-8500 for more information.

# Summer Reading Registration Starts May 28!



## just for teens: make waves

- Wondering how to have a great summer? Our
- **FREE** Teens Read program (**make waves**)
- is the answer. It's your chance to win prizes
- for the reading you do over the summer. No
- book reports to write, no teachers telling you
- what to read, no pressure--just fun! The more
- you read, the more chances you have to win.
- You can read **ANYTHING**: books, magazines,
- newspapers, web sites, whatever!

## who can join?

- Teens Read is for ages 12-17 or students
- entering grades 6-12 in Fall 2009. Teens may
- join either **make waves** or **Make a Splash**.
- **Register May 28-July 26** at only one location.
- When you sign up for Teens Read, you'll
- receive a bookmark and time trackers to record
- the time you spend reading. Each time tracker
- (three hours of reading) is an entry in a weekly
- prize drawing when complete. All entries are
- included in the grand prize drawing for Visa gift
- cards and more! Chipotle will help us throw a
- big party Thursday, Aug. 5 at 6:30 p.m. Mark
- your calendars now!

## what can I win?

- How does a \$100 Visa gift card sound? You
- can probably think of a fun way to spend that!
- That's the grand prize, but many weekly prizes,
- including tasty treats and free activities, are
- given away too. See a complete list of prizes
- at our web site or any Wichita Public Library
- location.

Register from May 28 to July 26 at any Wichita Public Library location for the free Summer Reading Club. It's open to kids and teens up to age 17. At registration, participants receive a bookmark, a book bag, and a reading record. Participants can set their own reading goals and may count any book, newspaper, or magazine they read themselves or to someone else, and any book read to them. Upon reaching their reading goal, participants are eligible to receive prizes. Prizes will be handed out from July 1 to August 2.

## Why Join?

- It's **FREE!**
- You exercise your brain!
- You choose what you read!
- No book reports or homework!
- Win **PRIZES!**
- Impress next year's teacher with your sharpened skills!
- Explore new worlds through reading!

Thanks to all who make the Wichita Public Library's Summer Reading Club and Teens Read programs possible: The Leonard and Celia Levand Trust and the Friends of the Wichita Public Library provide major underwriting for both programs. The Summer Reading Program receives additional support from Carlos O'Kelly's, City of Wichita - Water Conservation Program, McDonald's, Kansas Arts Commission, National Endowment for the Arts, Pizza Hut, Pump It Up, State Library of Kansas, Take Care Clinic at Walgreens, Vic's Corn Popper, Wichita Ice Center, Wichita Public Library Foundation, Wichita Thunder, and Wichita Wingnuts. Teens Read receives support from All Star Adventures, Chipotle, City of Wichita - Parks and Recreation, Freddy's Frozen Custard and Steakburgers, Kansas State Fair, Marble Slab Creamery, McDonald's, National Endowment for the Arts, Pizza Hut, Roller City, Sonic Drive-In, Spangles, State Library of Kansas, Taco Tico, Wendy's, West Acres Bowl, Wichita Public Library Foundation, and Wichita Ice Center. New sponsors are still being added. We appreciate the community's support of this program that reached over 11,500 youth last summer!

# Friends of the Wichita Public Library

## Used Book Sale



**Tuesday, April 27-Saturday, May 1**  
**Central Library, 3rd Floor Auditorium**

**Tuesday, April 27**  
*Friends Members Only Preview*  
5:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, April 28**  
11:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.

**Thursday, April 29**  
11:00 a.m.- 7:00 p.m.

**Friday, April 30**  
11:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.

**Saturday, May 1**  
*Bargain Day*  
11:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.

The Friends of the Wichita Public Library Used Book Sale will be held Tuesday, April 27, through Saturday, May 1, at the Central Library in the 3rd Floor Auditorium. Find books for every interest and reading level at unbelievable prices.

Tuesday, April 27, is a preview just for members of the Friends of the Wichita Public Library. If you would like to become a Friends member, application forms are available at library service desks or online at [www.wichita.lib.ks.us/Organizations/Friends](http://www.wichita.lib.ks.us/Organizations/Friends).

The sale opens to the public on Wednesday, April 28, and continues on Thursday and Friday with great prices.

Saturday, May 1, marks the return of the popular "Bargain Day." Prices will be dropped even further than the great deals previously offered. Shop early for the best selection, but come back on Saturday for super savings.

### 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 Wichita Public Library locations will be closed Sunday, May 30, and Monday, May 31, in observance of Memorial Day.

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](http://www.wichita.lib.ks.us).