Library MUSINGS

VISION STATEMENT:
All people in our community value & use the Lawton Public Library.

MISSION STATEMENT:
Provide opportunities to engage in life-long learning.

• E-Books
• E-Magazines
• E-Audio
• E-Videos
• Learn a Foreign Language
• Find a Wiring Diagram for your car
• Find research articles
• & So Much More!

LIBRARIES TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES

FREE TAX FILING
SPONSORED BY
AARP TAX-AIDE

Free preparation & e-filing of individual tax returns by IRS Certified Volunteer Preparers. No age or income restrictions.

February 1 – April 14
Mondays: 4:00 pm – 6:30 pm
Wednesdays: 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm
Thursdays: 9:00 am – 11:30 am

Final Tax Session
Monday, April 15: 9:00 am – 11:30 am

THINKING $ LUNCH & LEARN

Wednesday, April 24
12:00 noon – 1:00 pm
Teens & Adults

Watch the hour-long movie "Thinking Money: The Psychology Behind Our Best & Worst Financial Decisions". Lunch is provided. Registration required. Call 580.581.3450 ext. 7 to sign up.

KEY PRINCIPLES FOR SMART STOCK INVESTING

Thursday, April 25
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Teens & Adults

Investing in stocks is exciting & rewarding & will help you achieve financial goals. You will learn basic terminology & fundamental concepts of investing in company stock. Find out how to recognize & evaluate industry leaders, determine when to buy a stock, how much to pay, & how to choose stocks for stability & long-term growth.

The heart of this presentation is an overview of the key criteria that BetterInvesting investors consider to identify & evaluate quality growth companies as long-term stock investments.

Call 580-581-3450 for more details.

Library Musings
CHILDREN

EARLY READER’S ACADEMY
Age-based classes that promote kindergarten readiness skills for our youngest readers.

MOVERS & SHAKERS
Tuesdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
10:00 am – 10:30 am
Ages 3 – 6 & Caregivers

Explore reading readiness through fingerplays, rhymes, stories, songs, & music. Thirty minutes of singing, talking, reading & moving.

WIGGLERS & CRAWLERS
Friday, April 5, 12, 19, 26
10:00 am – 10:30 am
Ages 0 – 3 & Caregivers

Lap-time fun for infants & toddlers using rhymes, bounces, fingerplays, & songs that promote early literacy skills.

STEAM-POWERED IMAGINATION STATION
Thursdays, April 11, 18, 25 (Cancelled on 4/4)
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Ages 6 – 18

Flex your imagination with LEGOS, science & art, 5-minute observations, puzzles & games, & trivia!

WEAR BLUE DAY
Friday, April 5
All Day; All Ages

Library staff & customers are encouraged to wear blue in support of child abuse prevention. Free ribbons will be handed out.

HAPPIEST DAY COLORING CHALLENGE
All April
Ages 0 – 12

Sharpen your crayons, uncap your markers & wet your watercolors! Grab an entry form & draw your HAPPIEST DAY!

LOCATIONS & HOURS
lawtonok.gov/departments/library

Main Library
110 SW 4th Street
Lawton, OK 73501
580.581.3450
Mon – Wed 9:00 am – 8:00 pm
Thu – Sat 9:00 am – 6:00 pm
Sun Closed

Kathleen Wyatt Nicholson
Branch Library
1304 NW Kingswood Road
Lawton, OK 73505
580.581.3457
Tue & Thu 12:00 noon – 5:00 pm
Sat 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

LIBRARY BOARD
The next library board meeting is Wednesday, April 3 @ 4:00 pm. The public is invited to all meetings.

Chair ______________ Patty Neuwirth
Vice Chair __________ Susan Kremmer
Member ____________ Frantzie Couch
Member ____________ Ellouise Love
Member _____________ Tom Rine

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY
The Friends of the Library meet quarterly. The next meeting is Monday, April 22 @ 12 noon.

Support your Friends of the Library. Become a member today! Annual membership is just $10.00 per person or $20.00 per family.
**SENIORS**

**OLDER DRIVER SAFETY**  
Thursday, April 11  
10:00 am – 11:00 am

Driving is a connection to our independence. For many older adults, the greatest fear is losing their ability to drive a vehicle. This one-hour presentation provides guidance on maintaining your independence to continue driving. Sponsored by Oklahoma Healthy Aging Initiative & Oklahoma Highway Safety Office. To register, call S.W. OHAI at 580-699-3976 or email at Qualanda-stolp@ouhsc.edu You must be registered in order to attend.

**COMMUNITY CLASSROOM HEALTH EVENT FOR SENIORS**  
Thursday, April 18  
Come & Go:  
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Enjoy fitness at any age. Participants receive: Strength Tests, Blood Pressure Checks, Weight Checks, Pulse & Oxygen Checks & Educational Health Information. Register to win a Gift Basket!

Coordinated by the Lawton Public Library, Friends of the Lawton Public Library, Angels Care Home Health, Southwestern Medical Center Rehab & Lincare.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR. SAVE THE DATES!**  
Tai Chi starts May 6th! Call to register for this or other OHAI classes!

- Tai Chi starts May 6; Mondays & Thursdays; 10 am - 11 am
- How to Communicate Effectively with your Health Care Provider on Wednesday, May 8; 10 am - 11 am
- Using Medications Safely on Wednesday, May 22; 10 am - 11 am

**WALKING STICK RAFFLE**  
All April; All Ages; Both Locations

The U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services recommends adults get at least 150 minutes of moderate activity each week. Walking counts! Stop by either library to enter to win a survivor-series wooden walking stick with a hand-carved design. Winners announced on May 1.

**TEEN ADVISORY BOARD**  
Tuesday, April 2  
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm  
Ages 12 – 18

Wanted: dedicated teens with innovative ideas! Join us the first Tuesday of every month & give your input on events at your library!

**TEEN TIME: PERLER BEADS**  
Tuesday, April 2  
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm  
Ages 12 – 18

Turn your favorite fandom into pixel art using perler beads. Snacks are provided.

**TEEN BOOK CLUB**  
Tuesday, April 30  
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm  
Ages 12 – 18

Pick your own book to share with the group! Tell us what you like read & give an excerpt. Snacks are provided.

**TEEN VOLUNTEER APPLICATIONS**  
2019 Teen Summer Volunteer applications will be available on April 15 & are due by Wednesday, May 15. Applications can be picked up at both library locations & are available to print from either the library’s website or Facebook page.

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**ADULTS**

**PAGE TURNERS FICTION BOOK CLUB**
Tuesday, April 9  
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

This month’s book is *Every Breath You Take* by Mary Higgins Clark. May’s book is *The Husband’s Secret* by Liane Moriarty.

**SOUTHWEST OKLAHOMA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY (SWOGS)**
Monday, April 15  
6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

“The Taxman Cometh”. Tax records can be a valuable source in your Family Research. A SWOGS board member will show you how to properly use them.

**COVER-TO-COVER BOOK CLUB**
Tuesday, April 16  
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

This month’s book is *The Alice Network* by Kate Quinn. May’s book is *The Night Circus* by Erin Morganstern.

**GENEALOGY RESEARCH GROUP**
Wednesday, April 17  
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Come research your family’s history with fellow researchers. The group meets once a month in the Family History Room. Bring your family information & questions. SWOGS members will be there to offer research assistance.

**STATE OF THE CITY WITH MAYOR STAN BOOKER: FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY QUARTERLY MEETING**
Monday, April 22  
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Meet the Mayor & learn about the City of Lawton. Lunch is $2/person. All are welcome to attend.

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**SAVE THE DATE: CHAUTAUQUA 2019**  
June 18 – 22

- Tuesday, June 18: Hank Fincken as Pizarro
- Wednesday, June 19: Paul Vickery as Bartolomé de las Casas
- Thursday, June 20: Ilene Evans as Elizabeth Catlett
- Friday, June 21: Joey Madia as Ernesto (Che) Guevara
- Saturday, June 22: Doug Mishler as Pablo Picasso

Workshop schedule now available on library’s website.

**CONGRATS!**

Kaitlyn & Payton won the candy count!

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