

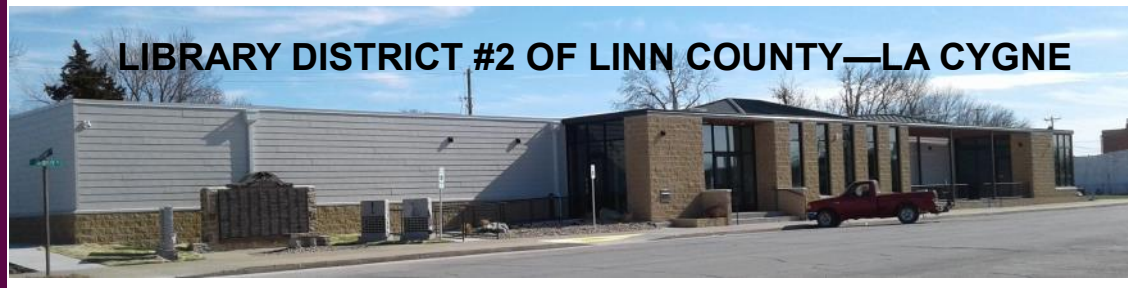
SATURDAY NIGHT MOVIES WILL RESUME LATER IN 2021

Watch for when the next movie will be. Movies are held in the Swan Room, bring your snacks, lawn chairs, family and enjoy the movie. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult!

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One book, One program, One individual at a time! Check us out in 2021 with our “Tails and Tales” Programs!

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Story Time with Ms. Veda (9:30 AM on Tuesday)

Feb. 2—Wordless

Feb. 9—Monster Mash

Feb. 16—If You Give a Mouse a Cookie

Feb. 23—Let’s Go to the Zoo

March 2—Chicken farm.

Story Hours will be held in the Swan Room, hand sanitizer and wipes are available and carpet squares are placed for children to sit on. Again if they are running a fever or are sick please do not bring them to the in-person Story Time. Instead choose to view an online story for the week.

Virtual Story Time with Miss Janet
We will continue to offer virtual story time at 9:15 on MWF on our Facebook Live.

Feb. 1—Groundhog Day

Feb. 3—Carrot Day

Feb. 5—Weather Day

Feb. 8—Kite Day

Feb. 10—Umbrella Day

Feb. 12—Abe Lincoln Day

Feb. 15—Hippo Day

Feb. 17—Whale Day

Feb. 19—Dentist Day

Feb. 22—George Washington Day

Feb. 24—Maraca Day

Feb. 26—Blue Jeans Day

March 1—Dr. Seuss Day 1

March 3—Dr. Seuss Day 2

March 4—Dr. Seuss Day 3

Don’t forget to get enrolled in our 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Program & Linn County Residents ask about Dolly Parton program.



Services available to our Seniors

Because we can spread out in the Great Room, we are back to doing our exercise classes on Monday and Wednesday each week at 11 AM. For those who are not comfortable attending in person, please contact Janet and we will see if we can help you with a virtual option. Retia and crew also serve a light lunch following the class. On Thursdays, we have resumed the senior meals, program and bingo. We ask that you sit in groups of two unless you are “family” and we will dismiss you to pick up your meal, so we can maintain social distancing and meals are served in closed containers to minimize contact. We are still providing Grab ‘n Go meals at 11:30 at the back door for those who would rather do that.

Toddler Time Beginning Feb. 4th

Starting on Feb. 4th (weather permitting) from 9:30 to 10 AM, we will do a Toddler Time Program in the new children’s play area for children birth to 3. We will limit that to the first 10 children to sign up. We will start out with a story and song or finger play or exercise and then have 20 minutes free play time with kids and parents interacting, then have clean up time. We will have wipes and sanitizer and we ask that the parents help wipe down the toys that their child uses during that time. This program is full right now, so if you didn’t get signed up, call Janet at 757-2151 and get on the waiting list. If there is enough interest, we might open up a second group.



Are you LIBRARY AWARE?

I’m constantly amazed by the people who walk into our library and say “I didn’t know this was here” or “I didn’t know I could get that at the library” or “wow, this is great, I didn’t know libraries did this”. So I thought I would remind people just what a treasure they have in their local library. Now I know that some libraries may not have everything that we have at our library and some libraries have more things that we aren’t able to offer. But my goal is to make you LIBRARY AWARE. I have been hearing a commercial on TV about being “Weather Aware” and how they work really hard to make sure their viewers know exactly what they think the weather is going to do or be. So, I thought, why not make our patrons “LIBRARY AWARE”.

Many people’s concepts of libraries is a place filled with dusty books, librarians with their hair in a bun wearing glasses and saying “SHHHH” While this might be true in some places, it’s not here.

When you think of libraries I’m sure that books top the list of things libraries provide and you’d be right! But we provide so many types of books, many of which were not available when I started working in a library more than 41 years ago. Then we had books, but not a great variety. Now we have variety. We have Audio books, E-books, paperback books, hardback books, Large Print books, comic books, graphic novels, Board books, Easy Readers, magazines, reference books, genealogy books, fiction books, non-fiction books, and even Educational books for homeschooling and tutoring. If that’s not enough, we have Rotation books from our system and we can order Inter-Library Loan books from all across the state of Kansas. We also have a lot of online resources available through the State Library, EBSCO, and World Book. So as far as books are concerned, we have a book for everyone.

I don’t like books, what do you have for me? Well, we

have DVD’s available for three day check-out, everything from kids comics, to full length movies, to television series, to new releases (when we can get them).

What services do you provide? We have a fax machine, copy machine, scanner, computers, computers for kids, notary service, meeting rooms, coffee area, microfilm of local newspaper, Microsoft Office products, internet and wi-fi capabilities, indexed obituaries and marriage and birth records for many years from the local paper.

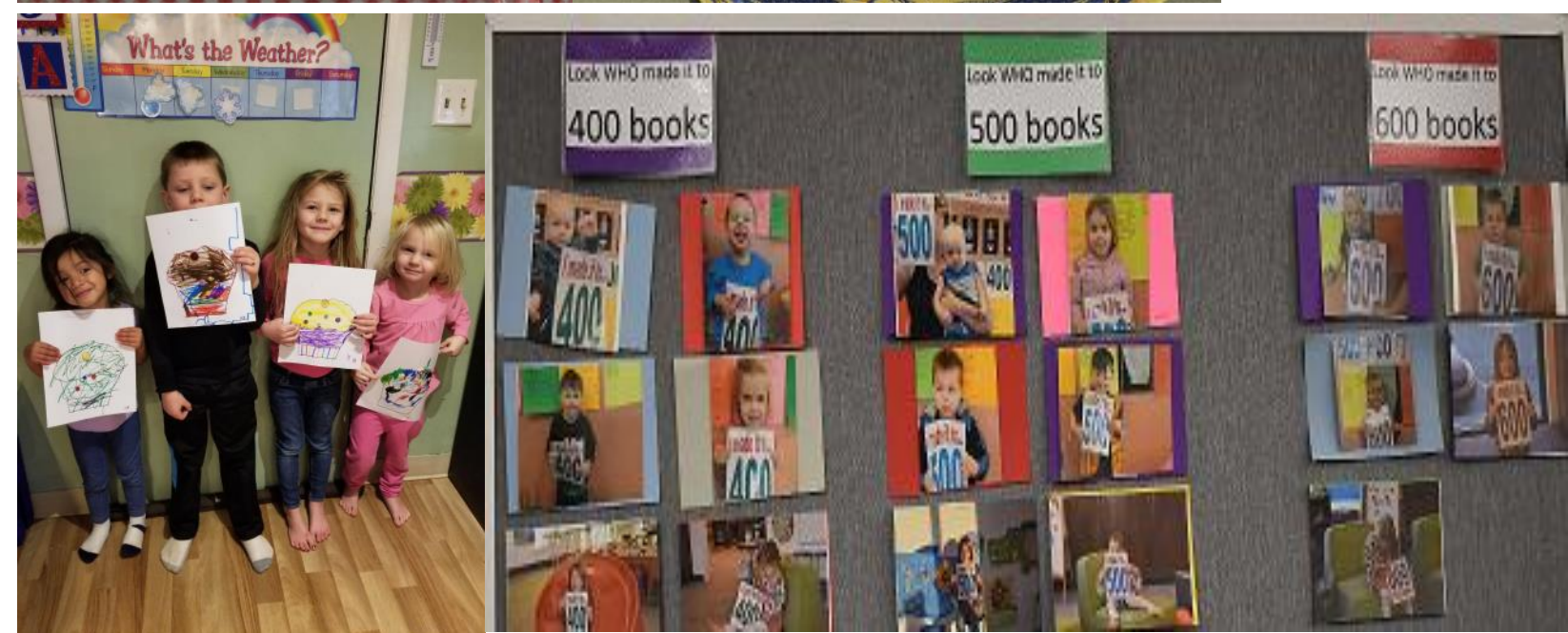
What programs do you offer? We provide a wide range of programming from Toddler Time on Thursday, to Preschool Story Time on Tuesday, to Geri-Fit exercise programs for seniors on Monday and Wednesday followed by a light lunch for participants. We do grab and go lunch for seniors on Thursday for those who prefer that, and we have in person lunches and programs and BINGO for those who want to come in on Thursdays. We provide a virtual story time every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:15 through Facebook Live. We participate in the 1000 books before Kindergarten and the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program, both of which encourage early literacy. During the summer we provide entertainers for children’s program, Art class, cooking classes, children’s lunches with programs and more.

We have a nice new Children’s Play area with developmentally appropriate toys and games, including a lot of sensory boards on the wall to develop fine motor skills, Awe computers for early learning, train table, play kitchen, house, puzzles, trucks and light table. This area is open for parents to bring children to play and learn, except for Thursday from 9:30 to 10 AM when we are doing toddler time.

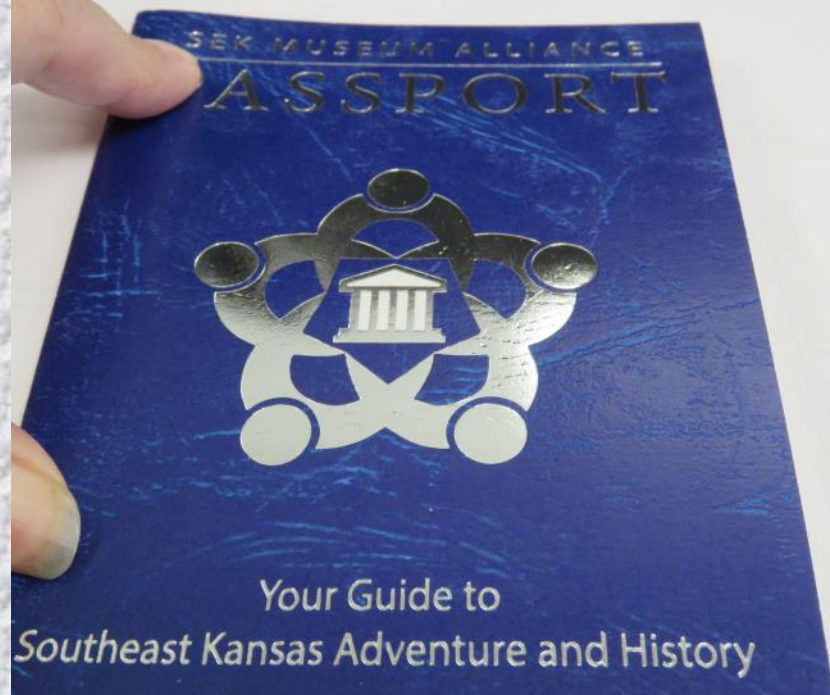
I hope you are now more “LIBRARY AWARE” and won’t be surprised when you see what we have!

Just a reminder that the annual Cabin Fever Reliever sponsored by the Friends of the Library has been postponed.

At this point AARP Tax-Aide plans to be here only four times this year and masks are required by AARP if you want to make an appointment. We are taking names and will make appointments in that order. Call 757-2151 to get on the list for an appointment. Thank You!



The Story of La Cygne
 The People
 The Places
 The Pictures
 Volume 2



Volume 2 was published before Christmas 2020 and is available at the library. \$50 for hardback, \$20 for paperback. We will have a few paperback volume 1 copies also \$20. The museum is also participating in the Southeast Kansas Museum Alliance and we have copies of the PASSPORT—Your Guide to Southeast Kansas Adventure and History. There are 30 museums participating and if you would like to take advantage of this fun opportunity, check with Janet at library or Ruth at museum to get your passport and start making memories visiting museums with your family and friends. Good close to home day-trip options for you to enjoy!