## SATURDAY NIGHT MOVIES NO MOVIE IN JANUARY DUE TO HOLIDAY!

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!

Short Stories & Tall Tales—Virtual Story Time with Miss Janet! We will continue to offer virtual story time at 9:30 on MWF on our Facebook Live (watch for a change of platform)!

VIRTUAL STORY TIME WILL RESUME JAN. 10 AT 9:30 AM (NOTICE TIME CHANGE)

Jan. 10—9:30 AM—Rapunzel

Jan. 12-9:30 AM-Puss in Boots

Jan. 14—9:30 AM—Princess & the Pea

Jan. 17—9:30 AM—Little Red Riding Hood

Jan. 19—9:30 AM—Cinderella

Jan. 21—9:30 AM—The Ugly Duckling

Jan. 24—9:30 AM—Snow White

Jan. 26—9:30 AM—Paul Bunyan

Jan. 28—9:30 AM—John Henry

Jan. 31—9:30 AM—Pecos Bill

Don't forget to get enrolled in our 1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Program & Linn County Residents ask about Dolly Parton program





### Toddler Time/ Parents as Teachers Playgroup

On Thursdays at 9:30 AM, we will either have a Toddler Time sponsored

by the Library or a PAT Playgroup sponsored by Parents as Teachers with Amy Jo Jamison.

Please check the schedule for special dates. Jan. 6—9:30 AM PAT

Jan. 13—9:30 AM Toddler Time

Jan. 20—9:30 AM PAT playgroup

Jan. 27—9:30 AM Toddler Time



### Winter Story Time 22 with Ms. Veda Tuesday 9:30 AM in Swan Room

Jan. 18—Snow! Snow! Snow!

Jan. 25—Polar Bears

Feb. 1—Imagine That!

Feb. 8—Kindness

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# Geri-fit & Senior Lunch Program for the Winter MONDAY AND THURSDAY at 11

AM! Please plan on coming in at 11, doing the exercise program with us and then staying for a meal on Monday. On Thursday, following Geri-fit, you will be invited to join us for our regular Thursday lunch and learn program followed by BINGO. Back door pick up is at 11:30. Please call to reserve meal.

Jan. 6—11 AM Geri-Fit, 12 PM Lunch, Program—Melanie Groot from Extension, & BINGO Jan. 10—11 AM Geri-Fit, 12 PM Lunch for exercise participants.

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#### Peoples Telecommunications, LLC Wednesday, January 12th 1:30 PM - 6:30 PM

LaCygne Library - Swan Room 209 N. Broadway St.

Book your appointment today at savealifenow.org/group, enter Group Code: TP9R. For additional details contact Tracy Williams at (913) 757-2500 or twilliams@peoplestelecom.net.

Medical eligibility questions? Call 1.800.688.0900

Appointments are preferred.

Masks are required for all donors regardless of vaccination status.

For full list of COVID-19 safety protocols, visit savealifenow.org/coronavirus.



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Serving our Community:
One book, One program,
One individual at a time!
January 1, 2022

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## Why the library? Why senior programs? Why senior meals? Why? Why? Why?

Over the past several months, questions have been voiced at commissioners meetings about why the library is involved in senior meals and programs. First, we are not the 1970's version of a "Shhh—Shhh" library and <u>our purpose is to meet the needs of our patrons</u>. Seniors were asking us to do some programs for them, like we do kids in the summer and as a library it is our responsibility to provide appropriate programming for all ages.

The congregate meal center in La Cygne was **CLOSED** before the library started doing the Thursday lunches. So Meals on Wheels was the only meal option for seniors in La Cygne, Linn Valley and the northern tier of Linn County. BUT...you must be "homebound", disabled, not drive, be over 60, and meet other eligibility requirements. **Our programs never intended to take over for Meals on Wheels delivery, but we hoped to meet the needs of the folks who do not qualify or are not ready for that program.** For library programs, we lowered the age to over 50, do not charge (but have a donation can), we do not deliver, but folks have set up their own forms of delivery if they choose not to come eat at the library.

Our plan was to meet other needs, like **physical** (through the exercise program), **mental** (through the various programs that we do), and **social** (allowing a time of fellowship for those who might be feeling lonely). Starting in 2018, expecting 15-20 attendees, we had almost 40 and have never looked back. During the pandemic, we met the needs for months, due to the fact that we are a food desert (no full grocery store) and folks were afraid to travel. Now, we still offer the out the back door for those who want to "pick up a meal because they don't feel comfortable coming to eat" and inside meals for about 40 folks who enjoy the social aspect of it.

We're NOT just a FEEDING STATION! We provide programming to benefit those folks while they are here. We meet the <u>physical</u>, <u>mental</u> and <u>social</u> needs of our patrons. I have several short testimonies here, and many others verbally told us how much they appreciate this service.

La Cygne Library...It's hard to know where to start on comments about our library. It has an amazing staff of workers, and each has their own categories that divides up many interests for the community. One thing that impresses me most is that children have a place to go to learn, read and share in their interests. Things of interest and fun are on the agenda all year long for all ages. The selection of books is so nice, and if they don't have it, you can borrow from another library. Movies of interest are on hand too. There are different rooms for all ages, even little ones have many things to play and do. Seniors are never without fun, exercise and food. Every week there are programs brought in, so the entertainment is always on the agenda for Thursday lunch and the seniors in our community. Beauty certainly wasn't left out either, as you can look around, and see the display of showcases that might hold relics of the olden days, or simple beauty of up-to-date holidays-things that will capture any age and interest. A selection of computers is always on hand for anyone, and the staff has the know how to help you through a problem if you encounter that. My thanks goes out to the board, and to all those who are so dedicated in giving us our beautiful library. P. C.

Why I Go to the Library...I go to the library on Thursdays for the fellowship. I am a widow and Thursdays are a day to share a good hot meal with friends and to make new friends. The programs are good. The meal is good and the highlight of the day is playing bingo with friends. I want to thank Janet for providing a safe fun place to spend the day, Retia for the good meal and all her helpers. A Big Thanks. C.B.

The Thursday Senior lunch at the library is the highlight of my week. I am 88 years old and live alone, so look forward to the fellowship, the food and learning what the speaker has to say. Bingo is fun—you just never know what the prize might be. Janet knows each one of us and does an excellent hostess job. The cooks are so friendly and happy and serve a delicious meal. N.P.

How I Love My Library—I look forward to the day when it's time for some senior group fun. We laugh, we sing, we never run out of things to talk about. We Laugh! We pledge allegiance to the flag, we pray, we eat, and yes WE LAUGH. I feel like I have a lot of new friends (they might not feel the same). Thank you for everything. Anonymous

The La Cygne Library is an outstretched hand to this community. It fills the missing pieces in so many people's lives. No matter what age, there is something for everyone. R.G.

I come to Geri-Fit to help my muscles. When I sit too much my back gets stiff. It's good to talk to people and thank you so much for a lunch. D. J

My husband and I come to the Programs at the library to meet new friends our age and fellowship with others. It is a source to help keep the older people active since there is no Senior Center in our Community. I have helped with the kids summer lunch program and feel it is important for the generations to interact with each other. The children I have observed enjoy doing hands on projects with the older generation. Just my two cents. W.W.

I am 81 years old. I am a widow for four years after being married for 61 years. I was a farmer's wife and our whole married life I worked along beside him. So when he died, I was at a loss for company, until the library welcomed me to senior dinners on Thursdays and also a lot of other activities—Christmas Homes Tours, Christmas parties, cook-offs, drawings for gift baskets which are donated. We have a lot of laughs and fun at Bingo. The library sponsored a benefit for my daughter LaVeda Riggs when she had cancer. The love that came from all library staff and friends of library was unbelievable. The whole library is well organized, the books, and the display cases are changed often and are awesome. I just can't believe how many men attend and have a great time. I can't say enough about Janet, Chris, LaVeda, Angel, Retia and all the cooks and volunteers. The Christmas celebrations, the exercise classes, the story hours (LaVeda's and Janet's). how well kept the books are kept in the shelves and both of the display cases are always beautiful. The whole place is so clean. I look forward to senior lunches and Bingo, all the laughter and fun.

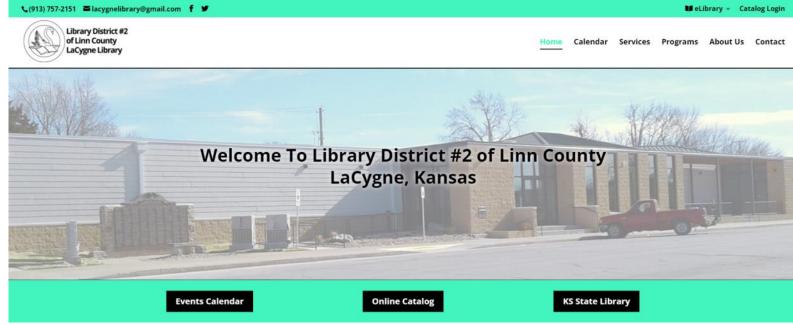
To Whom It May Concern: I am a senior citizen 83+ years old. I live alone. My lifeline to fellowship, exercise, and a delicious meal on Thursday with friends, exists at the La Cygne Public Library! The staff does an absolutely awesome job! Everything is well organized, and the friendly staff so very helpful. Every Thursday I so look forward to first 45 minutes of Geri Fit exercise followed by an outstanding lunch prepared for us. Then a different outstanding educational program followed by a fun-filled afternoon of Bingo;

where everyone has to Bingo and pick a prize (all of which are outstanding) and then a lucky person that gets the first blackout on their bingo card gets to pick another prize! Then on Mondays, exercise, again Geri-Fit, followed by a delicious lunch for exercise participants, fellowship, laughter, just not being alone for a while. Anyone alone like I am, knows eating alone isn't fun! The fellowship, laughter and just feeling of being among friends cannot be overestimated. God Bless the staff, cooks, volunteers, and everyone else that makes us happy, well fed, and just thankful for such an outstanding library, staff, helpers and volunteers. D. S.

I'm 83 years old, I go to the library several times a week for Geri-Fit exercise and to get a meal which helps a lot. I don't have to cook or eat alone. I get to visit with friendly people. Being alone a lot hurts both mentally and physically. The programs and Bingo keep the mind active. Also I volunteer by helping with kids, cleaning and stocking things up, which helps me a lot. Knowing I'm needed lets me know I'm worth something even though I am old, but still useful. Keeps you feeling young! A. M.

Why I come to the library: Geri-fit helps me get stronger, feel better, lead a fuller and longer life (and ride my motorcycle). Lunch, we eat good food, learn from the programs, enjoy fellowship, fun, friends, laughter and appreciate our community more.

As Paul Harvey would say, "Now you know the rest of the story!"



### Welcome to our new website! Same address just a different look!!! lacygnelibrary.org/

This new website was made possible through a 2021 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Public Library Grant secured by the <u>Southeast Kansas Library System (SEKLS)</u>, who was instrumental in the coordination of this redesign project and will lead ongoing support for the website maintenance and updates. Special thanks to Robin Hastings and the <u>Northeast Kansas Library System (NEKLS)</u> for website hosting setup, transition, and technical support. Design and web development services were provided by <u>SYZYGY 1 Media</u>.

The Kansas State Library has used Institute of Museum and Library Services ARPA funding to award project grants to public libraries in Kansas to support digital inclusion efforts to enable libraries to reach residents such as through internet hotspots, accessible Wi-Fi, and digital content and related resources, particularly in support of education, health, and workforce development needs; Provide rapid emergency relief to libraries, allowing them to safely respond to the pandemic and implement public health protocols; And support library services that meet the needs of their communities.

Take some time and get familiar with the Events Calendar that shows the month at a glance and a sidebar with more specific info. Easy to get to our catalog and to State library resources. Explore and enjoy the new look, be patient as we try to learn to update a new system.

