

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!

STORYWALK® LAUNCH PARTY @ ELMER THOMAS PARK

Saturday, May 1
Come & Go; 10:00 am – 1:00 pm
All Ages

Help the library kick off the new StoryWalk® location @ Elmer Thomas Park by the Butterfly Gardens (north side of park). Read *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle.

Rocks will be hidden throughout the park. Find a rock & exchange it for a book. Grab a craft (while supplies last) & guess how many candies are in the jar. This is a come & go event.

These health literacy projects are supported by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries with federal funds under the Library Services & Technology Act (LSTA) & the Institute of Museum & Library Services.



Oklahoma Department Libraries



ADULTISH CRAFTS FOR ADULTISH PEOPLE: CRASS CROSS STITCH

Wednesday, May 12
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
Ages 16+

In-person! No registration. No fees. No kids. Just fun crafts, good snacks, & great company. Create your unique message. Space is limited.



HEALTH LITERACY CHALLENGE

All April & May
Ages 16+

Complete activities to help improve your fitness & nutrition! Earn badges for your chance to win a Fitness Basket courtesy of Friends of the Lawton Public Library. Register at lawtonok.beanstack.org OR download the Beanstack app in your iTunes or Google Play Store.



ADULT LITERACY TUTOR TRAINING

Ages 18+

Are you interested in becoming a volunteer tutor? This is a rewarding experience helping individuals one-on-one. Call 918.344.1415 to speak with the volunteer coordinator.



HOLIDAY CLOSURE

The main library is closed Monday, May 31 for Memorial Day Weekend. The library catalog & databases will be available online at lawtonok.gov/departments/library

CHILDREN

EARLY READER'S ACADEMY

Age-based classes that promote kindergarten readiness skills for our youngest readers.

MOVERS & SHAKERS

Tuesdays, May 4, 11, 18, 25
10:00 am – 10:30 am
Ages 3 – 6 & Caregivers



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

WIGGLERS & CRAWLERS

Thursdays, May 6, 13, 20, 27
10:00 am – 10:30 am
Ages 0 – 3 & Caregivers



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

SIT, STAY, READ: LITERACY DOGS!

Thursday, May 27 (4th Thursdays)
5:00 pm – 5:45 pm; Ages 5+

Read to a dog! 15-minute sessions will be available to each child to help boost their reading skills. Bring a book of your own or borrow one of ours. Co-sponsored with local Paws with Love volunteers.



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, May 5 @ 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, July 26 @ 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.

SAVE THE DATE: 2021 CHAUTAUQUA

20th Century Visionaries: Catalysts for Change
Virtual Live: June 1 - 5



- Dr. Doug Mishler as The Ultimate Trekkie: [Gene Roddenberry](#)
- Karen Vuranch as Queen of the Desert: [Gertrude Bell](#)
- Dr. John Dennis Anderson as The Medium is the Message: [Marshall McLuhan](#)
- Susan Marie Frontczak as Visionary Scientist: [Marie Curie](#)
- Dr. Ted Kachel as Contrarian Architect: [Frank Lloyd Wright](#)



ADULTS

PAGE TURNERS FICTION BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, May 11; 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

This month's book is *The Care and Feeding of Ravenously Hungry Girls* by Anissa Gray. Next month's book is *The Last Flight* by Julie Clark. *The Last Flight* is available in Hoopla. Call Reference at 580.581.3450 ext. 3 to order next month's book.



"A WEB OF BOOKS" SWOGS MEETING

Monday, May 17; 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

A wealth of genealogical & historical books is digitally available on the internet. Many are free to view. Presented by SWOGS board member, Roberta Hooper. All are welcome to attend the monthly Southwest Oklahoma Genealogical Society meeting.

COVER-TO-COVER BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, May 18; 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

This month's book is *The Dinner List* by Rebecca Serle. Next month's book is *The Family Upstairs* by Lisa Jewell. The audiobook for *The Dinner List* is available in Hoopla. Call Reference at 580.581.3450 ext. 3 to order next month's book.



TEENS

TEEN VOLUNTEER APPLICATIONS

Ages 14 – 18

Teen Summer Volunteer applications will be available on April 1 & are due by Friday, May 7. Applications can be picked up at both library locations & are available to print from either the library's website or Facebook page. Limited spots are available. Apply early!

TEEN CRAFT NIGHT: FUN FELT PILLOWS

Tuesday, May 25
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Ages 12 – 18

Spend the evening making fun felt pillows. Space is limited.



2021 SUMMER @ THE LIBRARY

June 1 – July 31

All Ages

Register at lawtonok.beanstak.org or download the Beanstak app in your iTunes or Google Play store.

Extreme Animals

Wednesday, June 9

10:00 am, 12:00 noon, 2:00 pm, 6:00 pm

4 identical shows (45 minutes each)

Kids Grab & Go Crafts

Tuesday, June 15

9:00 am until kits are gone

Storytime & Games @ Elmer Thomas Park

Wednesday, June 16

10:00 am – 11:00 am

At Patriot Pavilion

Virtual Pet Show & Tell

Wednesday, June 23

10:00 am – 11:00 am

Email libraryhelp@lawtonok.gov for login details.



Kids Grab & Go Crafts

Tuesday, June 29

9:00 am until kits are gone

Kids Grab & Go Crafts

Tuesday, July 6

9:00 am until kits are gone

Storytime & Games @ Elmer Thomas Park

Wednesday, July 7

10:00 am – 11:00 am

At Patriot Pavilion

Extreme Animals

Wednesday, July 14

10:00 am, 12:00 noon, 2:00 pm, 6:00 pm

4 identical shows (45 minutes each)

Kids Grab & Go Crafts

Tuesday, July 20

9:00 am until kits are gone

Storytime & Games @ Elmer Thomas Park

Wednesday, July 21

10:00 am – 11:00 am

At Patriot Pavilion



MAY 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
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2	3	4 10:00 am Movers & Shakers	5 4:00 pm Library Board	6 10:00 am Wigglers	7	8	
9	10	11 10:00 am Movers & Shakers 6:00 pm Page Turners	12 6:00 pm Adultish Crafts	13 10:00 am Wigglers	14	15	
16	17 6:30 pm SWOGS	18 10:00 am Movers & Shakers 6:00 pm Cover-To-Cover	19	20 10:00 am Wigglers	21	22	
23	24	25 10:00 am Movers & Shakers 5:00 pm Teen Craft	26	27 10:00 am Wigglers 5:00 pm Sit, Stay, Read	28	29	
30	31 CLOSED FOR MEMORIAL DAY	<div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: yellow; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> NOTARY PUBLIC AVAILABLE </div>					